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## LABOUR PARTY, SPLIT

### Sir Stafford Cripps On Europe's Crisis

#### WHY HE RESIGNED

SIR Stafford Cripps defined his attitude to the present European situation in a written statement to his constituents, read by his son, Mr. John Cripps, at a Socialist meeting at Bristol recently.

"The League of Nations as a piece of international governmental machinery may be as good as we can get," wrote Sir Stafford, "but when, as to-day, it is used by imperialist powers for imperialist purposes, it does not and cannot merit the workers' support. We must, I am convinced, have no united front with capitalism and imperialism."

"There is only one condition upon which I personally could support armaments and military action, and that is if these were being used by a group of Socialist States to support an international Socialist order against capitalist aggression."

"If, now, we urge the worker to support a capitalist armed imperialist Government, such as our own, merely because the Government pretends to be acting for the benefit of the League, we shall be



The Emperor Haile Selassie's Two White Advisers: General Eric Virgin, of the United States, and Mr. J. Aubertin, of Switzerland, seen as they left Addis for Ogaden to inspect the preparations made there for resisting invasion. It is expected that some of the fiercest fighting will take place in this region, as it lies directly in the path of the force under General Graziani. General Virgin, of the Swedish Air Force, is noted for his organising ability. He is sixty.

### Body of Canadian Turning To Stone For Half Century

Edmonton, Oct. 6.  
 At 56 years of age, Thomas McDonnell is slowly turning to stone.

Stricken with a mysterious ailment at the age of 7, McDonnell has been helplessly witnessing his body gradually become ossified for nearly half a century.

His illness has made all of his limbs useless and he is forced to remain in one position. His body becomes more rigid each year.



SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS

"... sooner or later some bargain will be made with Italy," misleading them as they were misled in 1914."

"It is because I regard this issue as one of fundamental importance to a Socialist party that I have taken the step of resigning."

#### Working-Class Sanctions

"I find no conviction in the shallow and opportunist argument that we must stop Mussolini at all costs. A far greater thing is at stake than that. The question is—Shall the workers of Great Britain be inveigled into the support of an imperialist system by specious excuses based on the sham the League of Nations now is; or shall they utilise the present golden opportunity to dislodge their own capitalist Government rather than to offer it their support?"

"If the workers desire to exercise their power to stop Italian or any other aggression, they can do so by putting into operation working-class sanctions."

"A refusal by the workers of England to allow any assistance, material or financial, to be given by people in this country would be a very real sanction, and would put the workers in the power of their capitalist Government."

#### Bargain With Italy

"Sooner or later some bargain will be made with Italy which will lead to the virtual domination of Abyssinia by one or more European Powers, and the next case for so-called sanctions may be Ger-

### Machine-Guns Wanted To Kill Emus

#### OSTRICH-LIKE BIRDS RUIN AUSTRALIAN CROPS

Perth, Oct. 10.  
 WHEAT farmers have asked the Government to send troops or machine-guns to Western Australia to fight the emu.

At a special meeting of the Bonny Rock branch of the Wheatgrowers' Union, it was stated that the position was now, because of the ravages of the emu, much more serious than three years ago, when hundreds of acres of crops were ruined.

Nearly 1,000 emus have been reported, and the farmers are determined to exterminate them before their crops are ruined.

There are several former machine-gunners among the farmers in the district, it is pointed out. All that is needed is a few guns and some ammunition.—*Reuter.*

many, if it suits the imperialism of Great Britain and France, or may not, if it does not suit them.

"The Covenant of the League is invoked when British imperialism desires to invoke it, and callously disregarded when, as in the case of Japan, it is not thought wise or safe to use it."

"I share within our movement the detestation of Fascism and Nazism, and every form of capitalist dictatorship. I am anxious, too, for the preservation of the autonomy of Ethiopia, and the safeguarding of that country from imperialist aggression."

### 'ELAINE IS LOVELY BUT—'

#### BARRYMORE WANTS TO SEE HIS WIFE

Synopsis: John Barrymore, fifty-three-year-old, thrice-married actor, has a "glamorous episode" with nineteen-year-old Elaine Barrie.

While Wife Dolores Costello sues for divorce on grounds of "mental cruelty," Elaine and John quarrel. John boards Hollywood train at New York, is chased by Elaine in aeroplane as far as Kansas City.

He eludes her—pays no heed to her radio appeal to him. She returns, heartbroken, to New York. John journeys on towards Hollywood.

### TO-DAY'S instalment of this thrilling serial comes as hot news from a correspondent in New York.

Barrymore, after again interrupting his journey by leaving the train at Gallup, New Mexico, declared:—

"I wasn't trying to escape from Miss Barrie in Kansas City. She is a lovely, charming girl whom I admire very much for her ambition and hard-working abilities—but in no other way."

"Now I am going back to Hollywood to see my children, and I expect to continue my domestic relations as in the past—but, of course, that is for Mrs. Barrymore to say."

Then came this surprise: "I do not know whether Miss Barrie will come to Los Angeles, but if she does there is a place for her in my next picture. I will certainly recommend her."

Mrs. Barrymore, speaking in Hollywood, said:—

"I know nothing about this romance with Miss Barrie. I will not see my husband when he comes to Hollywood, but of course he may see the children under proper circumstances."

Elaine Barrie (still in New York) commented: "John knows I will wait. They are just trying to break up our romance. It will all come right in the end."

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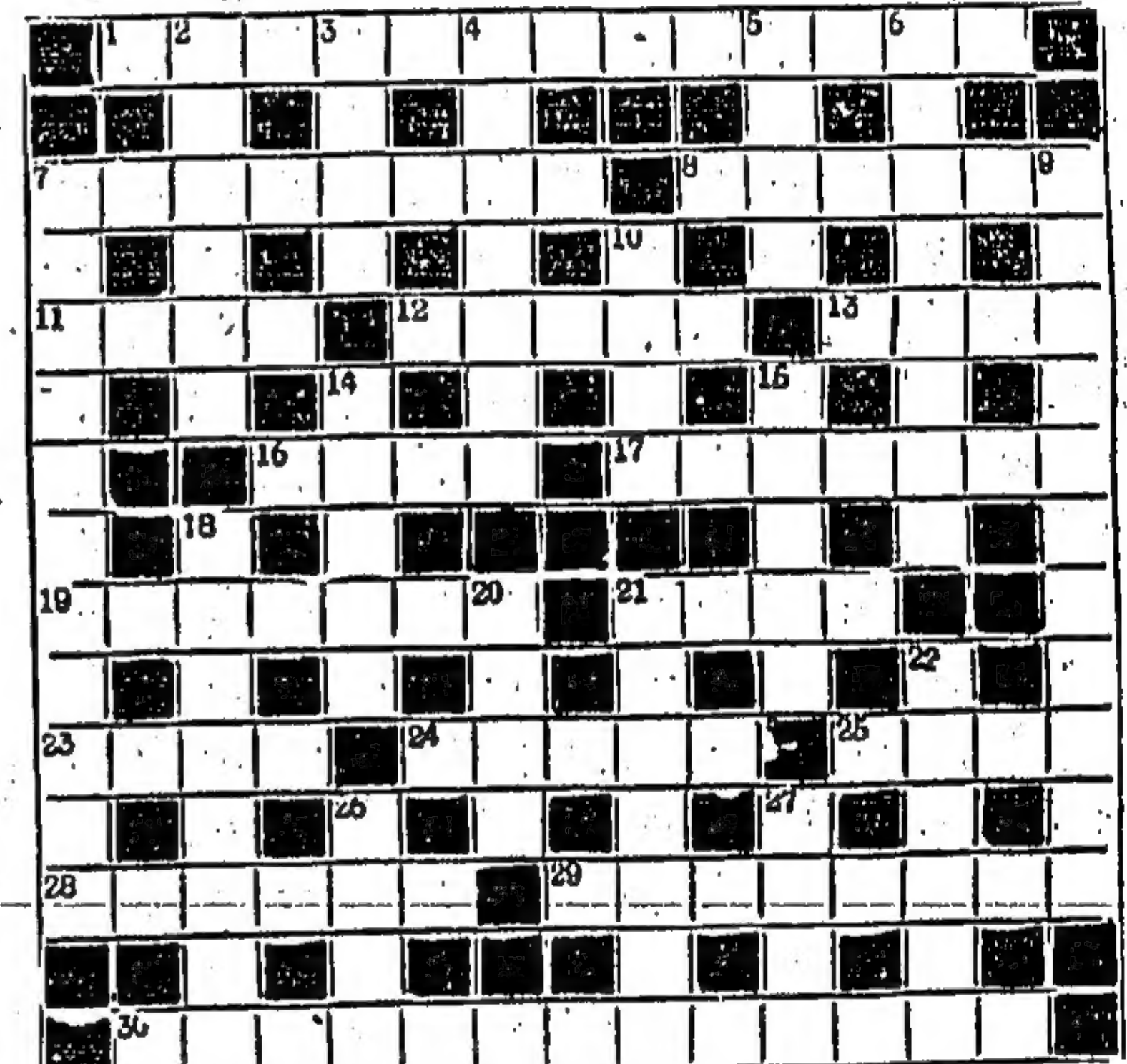
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- By such conduct the dean takes me in.
- An honest countenance.
- Polite sounding word heard in courts of law.
- Goes up in smoke, showing the witch's end.
- Sea power.
- Pernickety one.
- The man who goes on his, does.
- If you put first last, its wicked quality is more pronounced, but don't.
- More of a rush than a stampede.
- Out, after a hundred and fifty. A good knock.
- Volcano.
- How to deal with dinner in a summary way.
- It's hard to make a bad outer.
- Self-important.

#### DOWN


- Hauled out of bed in September.
- An early navigator who took in hems.
- In a way that couldn't be bettered.
- Particular way to do time.
- Number (rev.).


- The kind kind.
- This bird seems to have a rough time.
- Take your hook—on your yacht.
- Skinned as father was when unburned.
- You have to own this might be let in.
- Borrow this, it's a good book.
- Material.
- Even.
- Beds, for a start.
- Employs.
- Why give up? It's quite short.

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**By Small**  
  
 HERE'S TH' BALL PARK! AN' THANKS FER TH' FIVE-SPOT, FELLA!  
 SILK SOX BALL PARK  
 NO GAME TODAY



# WONDER TOUR OF NEW ZEPPELIN: ALL THE COMFORTS OF A LINER



Imperial Airways Youngest passenger, Billy, who recently crossed Channel from Brussels to Croydon by Imperial Airways plane.

## EVEN A SMOKING ROOM

### LIKELY TO BE GIVEN NAME OF "ADOLF HITLER"

Berlin, Oct. 15.

THOUGH the name of Germany's new airship, the L.Z.129, is still an official secret, she is likely to be called the "Adolf Hitler."

The engineers in the giant hangar at Friedrichshafen hope to put the finishing touches on the ship by the end of November; but it is doubtful whether her maiden voyage will take place before the New Year.

Though she is not many feet longer than her immediate predecessor, the Graf Zeppelin, she has nearly twice the diameter. The skeleton is of duraluminium and with the exception of the stern and rudder plates she is now mounted.

Her 16 gas bags (each with an outer and inner gas cell) will be filled with hydrogen on the first voyage; but it is hoped that on her visit to the U.S.A. hydrogen will be replaced with the non-inflammable helium.

The most striking change in the interior design is that, whereas in the Graf Zeppelin the pilot's and passengers' rooms are in an after-gondola, the entire passenger accommodation in the new ship will be in the interior of the hull.

The engineers have tried to make the comfort of the air traveller almost as great as that of the passenger in a small liner.

On "B" deck there is accommodation for 50 passengers—25 small cabins each containing two bunks, supplied with hot and cold water and centrally heated.

#### Central Heating

On the port side is a spacious and lofty dining-room with slanting windows of safety glass, through which the diners can watch the landscape below. On the other side of the ship is a comfortable lounge and a small library and writing room.

In the centre there is a cocktail bar at the entrance to the first smoking-room ever built into an airship. The passengers are not allowed to smoke in any other part of the ship, and in this small smoking-room, the walls of which are of special fire-proof material, tobacco and matches are retained in compartments with the owner's name or number.

Outside the smoking-room an attendant will be on guard to see that no one passes out with a lighted cigarette, pipe or cigar.

#### To Carry 135 People

The electric kitchen is of the most modern type. The passenger section is arranged in two decks and there is a gangway and a broad staircase for the passage from one deck to another.

The ship is to be run by four Diesel engines (giving a total of 4,500 h.p.), each of which is to be contained in a gondola. The gondolas are attached to the hull by means of steel girder framework and steel cables of enormous strength.

The control room is in the bow, immediately in front of the navigator's room. The wireless room is inside the hull.

For short cruises, in addition to the crew of 35 which is to be accommodated on the lower deck amidships, the number of passengers can be increased to 100.

Every person who has been engaged on the design and structure of this great ship, more than 800 ft. in length, is convinced that she will even surpass the marvellous record of the Graf Zeppelin.

ward, "While Parents Sleep", with cast to be decided and "Come Out of the Pantry", with Jack Buchanan.

#### "La Vie Parisienne"

Two Continental films will also be released by United Artists. These are "La Vie Parisienne" (English version) and "Amateur Gentleman", playing Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.

In addition to these films scheduled for 1935-36 release, United Artists have yet to release in Hongkong several of their 1934-35 productions.

Chief of these is "Scarlet Pimpernel", starring Merle Oberon and Leslie Howard, which comes to the King's Theatre on October 25. Sinclair Lewis's 1934 Nobel Literature Prize winning novel, "Dodsworth", has also been acquired, and will be released in the near future.

Charles Laughton is also scheduled to appear in "The Lion of Mayfair", and Jack London's great story of the Klondike gold rush, "Call of the Wild", will co-star Clark Gable, Loretta Young and Jack Oakie.

## Silken Thread Will Steer The Queen Mary!

London, Oct. 7.

WHEN the new ocean giant, Queen Mary, noses out into the Atlantic on her maiden voyage, it is probable that no one on board will remember that the liner owes anything to a seamstress living in a back street of Glasgow.

Yet to Miss Edith Rankin, of Glasgow, the Queen Mary will owe her ability to stay on a true course.

Miss Rankin has the task of weaving the gossamer threads of silk on the magnetic compass card, and sewing on the magnetic needles, which must be adjusted to the thousandth part of an inch. A fractional error might throw the ship miles off her course.

Miss Rankin has specialised in this work for many years, and compasses used by ships scattered throughout the seven seas have passed through her hands.

So delicately does Miss Rankin work that a silk stocking contrived by her hands would probably be digestible even by the most fastidious stomach.

## Mexico Makes Good Use Of Its Cannon

### PLOUGHS TO BE MADE FROM OLD ARMS OF DEATH

Mexico City, Oct.

Old cannons and surplus war material will be converted into 10,000 ploughs by order of President Lazaro Cardenas.

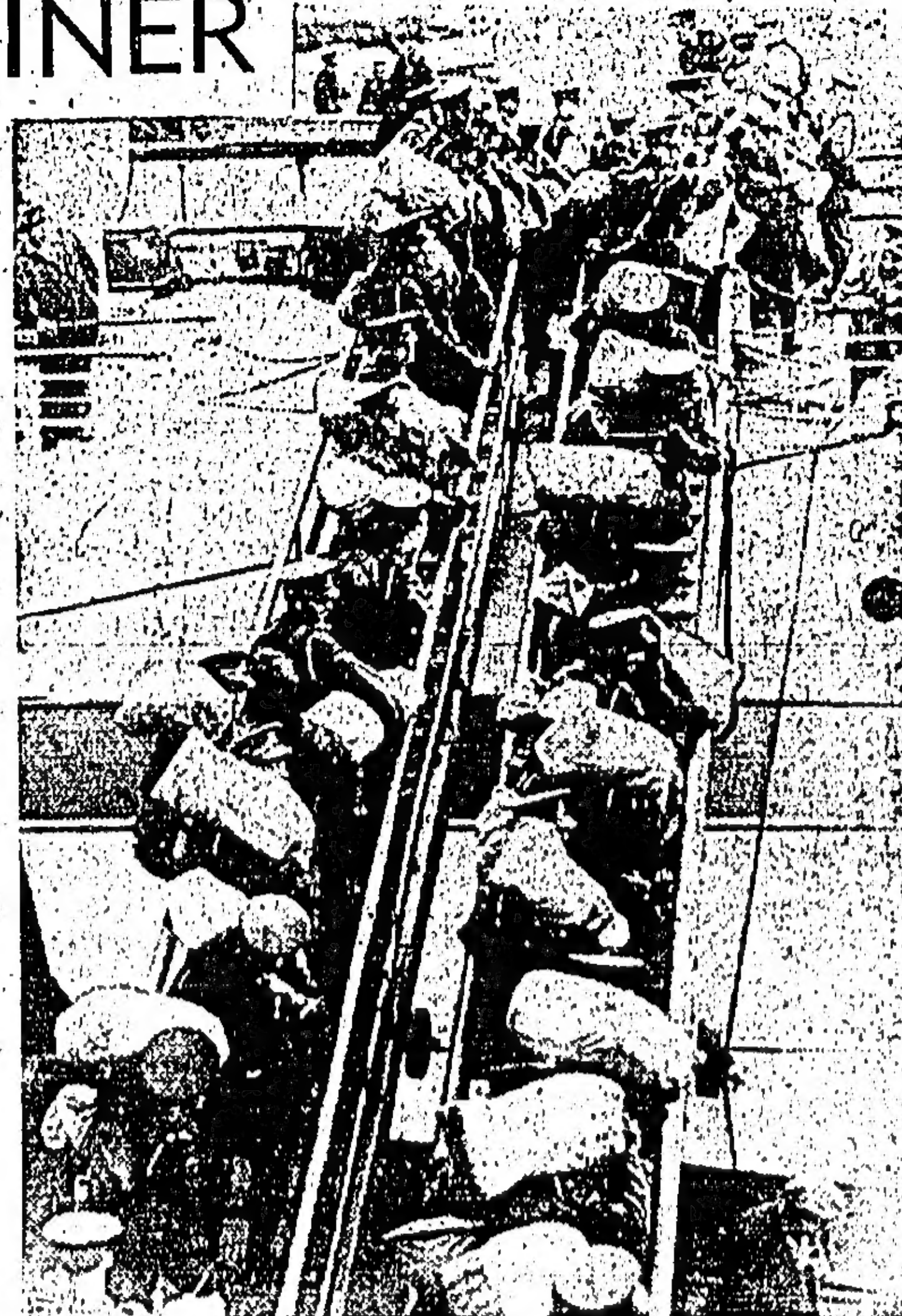
A decree has been issued ordering the Administration of War Materials to utilize the government factory in manufacturing agricultural implements.

The purpose of the decree is two-fold: first, to aid the agrarian programme of the Six-Year Plan; secondly, to give work to the 1,600 employees of the National Arms and Munitions Factory, who might soon be thrown out of work, as practically all the money appropriated for war materials in 1935 has been spent.

The operation, which will cost between \$50,000 to \$100,000 (Mex.) will be financed by the National Bank of Agricultural Credit.

Four types of ploughs, suited to the various regions of Mexico, will be made. Obsolete cannons and metals already in the hands of the Administration of War Materials will be used. The government hopes to be able to sell the "campesinos" (rural workers) the ploughs at a cost below that which they would ordinarily have to pay; yet it has announced that it does not desire to affect adversely private industry.

Outside of the utilitarian aspects of the plough manufacturing programme General Cardenas desires it to stand out as a demonstration of Mexico's peaceful conditions.



British Tommies, members of the Sixth Battery, Royal Artillery, embark at Southampton, England, for garrisons at Malta, on the Mediterranean, and Aden, on the gulf bordering the Indian ocean. Meanwhile, British naval concentrations in the Mediterranean are worrying Mussolini, who has offered to divert soldiers from Libya if Britain will take Renown and Hood away.

## Strange Ill-luck of Charlie Chaplin's Leading Ladies

### HOLLYWOOD BELIEVES IN THIS HOODOO

IS there a bad luck spell that follows Charles Chaplin's leading ladies?

Hollywood believes in this hoodoo.

"A Chaplin leading lady fades away once her work with Chaplin is done," is what they say.



Charlie Chaplin and his latest leading lady, Paulette Goddard.

### G-WOMAN IN THE U.S. NOW

#### X-RAY EYES PIERCE GANGSTERS' DISGUISES

AMERICA'S first G-woman is bringing fear into the hearts of her State's criminals.

For Marie Groll, good-looking blonde whose X-ray eyes pierced Dillinger's disguise, is now head of the Indiana Police Bureau of Criminal Identification.

"Yes," she admitted, "It is true that I was called to Tucson, Arizona, where they were holding Dillinger and managed to say that he was the wanted man."

"There is nothing wonderful about it; it's my job. For five years now I've been classifying fingerprints and other characteristics, and this identification racket is just second nature to me now."

Miss Groll's first task will be to establish a system of duplicating her 140,000 records, so that these can be forwarded to the State Identification Bureau at Washington.

She is a firm believer in the infallibility of fingerprints. "Criminals can dye their hair or even alter the shape of their noses and chins," she said, "but there is no getting away from finger-prints."

Virginia Cherrill, who played the blind girl with Chaplin in "City Lights," believes in it; but thinks she can break it.

She is now in London, and has been playing in a newspaper film called "Late Extra" at Wembley.

"For five years I have been a mocking proof of this bad luck," she said. "And I have felt so helpless all the while. It is all so mysterious."

"I was introduced to Chaplin at a boxing match. He was sitting beside me, unassuming, insignificant. I did not feel greatly thrilled."

"Would you like to play in pictures?" he asked me.

"Is there any other answer on any girl's tongue but 'Yes, rather!' to such a question?"

"Well, he made me a star. There were no preliminaries, no tests."

#### Inexperienced

"I protested: 'I have had no experience of acting! I would not know what to do. I'd be frightened.'"

"Because you have had no experience," said Chaplin, "I chose you. I do not want you to know a lot of things you'd have to learn."

"For two years we made 'City Lights'. Two years making a film that the whole world breathlessly awaited."

"The showing of the film meant the end of my life as a Chaplin protégée. I was free to do what I wanted."

"But the ill-luck fell upon me. I wondered if I should make pictures, or rather, if I would be allowed to make pictures."

"For two years I battled against it. I was a year with Fox. I appeared in a few of their films. At other times I waited—just waited for something to happen."

"It seemed that Chaplin had given me a motion picture training too fine for the ordinary studios."

"Could it be, I thought, that this was the reason for the spell?"

"Were we Chaplin leading ladies not ordinary film players ready to be cast in any role but Chaplin models?"

"Can that be an explanation?"

"Now I am in Britain. I am making a picture here. I hope to make other pictures here."

"If the spell says I shall not find success in Hollywood, then maybe I can break its power in London."

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Professor W. I. Gerard, M.D., M.B., B.S., (London) will deliver his presidential address on "A Short Review of some of the Anemias and their Treatment" to the Hongkong University Medical Society on Wednesday, October 30, at 5.30 p.m., at the School of Surgery, Hongkong University. Tea will be served in the Union Tea Room at 5.15 p.m. All members and friends are welcome.

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### GANGSTER WAR

### NEW YORK BEER BARON MURDERED

New York, Oct. 24. One person was killed and six were critically wounded during an epidemic of gangster shootings in the metropolitan area here today.

Two assassins, armed with shotguns and revolvers, invaded a crowded Newark chophouse and shot Arthur Flegenheimer, alias "Dutch" Schultz, the former New York beer baron, his bodyguards, Otto Berman, Leo Frank and Bernard Rosenkantz, and escaped amidst the screaming and panic which followed.

The wounded men were immediately rushed to hospital where, after examination, Schultz was given an even chance of recovering, but Berman and Rosenkantz are reported as unlikely to live.

Two hours later four gunmen felled Martin Krompfer, second in command of the Schultz gang, and Ham Greene, a bookmaker, at the entrance to a sub-way on 42nd Street and Seventh Avenue.

It is not expected that they will recover. The revolver reverberations transformed the north end of Times Square, in the heart of the Great White Way, into a bedlam, with panicky bystanders fleeing in all directions as the Police took up the chase after the assassins.

Police Net  
Meanwhile, a general order was issued sending 22,000 policemen in New York and the surrounding areas in search of twenty-two-year-old Albert Stoin, who is wanted in connection with six other gang murders during the last two months, following the horrible death of Louis Amberg, the Brooklyn racketeer, who was stripped, hacked with a hatchet, garrotted with wire and then shot. His body was then soaked in gasoline and burned and left in an automobile in a quiet street.

"Dutch" Schultz, who is 33 years of age, was born in Manhattan's Yorkville. He left grammar school after the sixth grade, became a printer and pressman, then a roofer, a trade he abandoned when he was 17. He then took up crime as his career, serving his apprenticeship under the late Jack "Legs" Diamond, and subsequently became a big "noise" in the beer racket.

Tormented by the Government's pitiless drive against the nation's mobsters, he went into hiding two years ago, but gave himself up at Albany on Thanksgiving Day last year after he had been threatened "for a ride" by rival gangsters.

In the course of his infamous career, Schultz amassed a huge fortune, running into nearly a million dollars.

### PROPERTY SALE

### SIXTH SHARE OF HOUSE AND LAND

A sixth share of No. 9 Sai On Lane was disposed of yesterday afternoon in the sales-room of Messrs. Lammer Brothers, auctioneers, to Mr. Lau Sik-yue, of 1 Jervois Street. The starting price was \$1,000 with bids of \$100. Mr. Lau opened the bidding, and after some persuasion from Mr. L. Lammer, the auctioneer, it was raised to \$1,200, upon which Mr. Lau clinched the sale with an offer of \$1,400.

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## PRESSURE ON NANKING

### STRONG DENIAL OF JAPANESE DEMANDS

Nanking, Oct. 24. A Foreign Office spokesman strongly denied the rumours that new demands were about to be, or already had been presented to the Chinese Government by Japan, and declared that no demands had been received by Nanking.

The speaker deplored the unwarranted zeal of rumour mongers and expressed the hope that the public would take care not to be misled by unfounded rumours.—*Reuter.*

### The Rumoured Demands

Nanking, Oct. 24. A certain foreign newspaper in Shanghai has published a number of demands, alleged to have been prepared by the Japanese Government for presentation to the Nanking Government.

The demands containing most unacceptable terms are alleged to be six in number and as follows:  
1. Manchukuo must be recognised by the Nanking Government.  
2. The following provinces in Northern China namely Shantung, Shansi, Suiyuan, Chahar and Honan, should be included as special district, in which all Government administrations should be under the direction of the Japanese.

3. Five maritime provinces including Kwangtung, Fukien, Chekiang, Kwangsi, and Kiangsu should declare a "Pro-Japan" district.  
All Government administration within the above mentioned provinces should at once adopt pro-Japanese policy gradually change into the status of Japanese protectorates.

4. The Nanking Government should apply their best effort in rounding up all Red bandits in Fusan, Shensi, Chinghai, and Sinkiang Provinces. The Japanese Government is ready to give military assistance to China in clearing up the Reds in these Provinces if they are required.

5. The Japanese Government will recognise the Nanking Government as the only Central Government in China on condition that they carry out this pro-Japanese policy.  
6. The Japanese Government is quite prepared to recognise the Nanking Government's special influence in Yunnan, Kweichow, and Szechuen Provinces, but the Provincial Governments must also show sincerity in dealing with Japan.

The paper adds that these demands are likely to be presented to China during the coming Fifth Kuomintang Congress in Nanking.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

### Delegate To Canton

Among the passengers expected here to-day by the N.Y.K. liner Asama Maru is General Okamura of the Japanese Imperial Army, who is en route to Canton to discuss with leaders there the political situation.

General Okamura recently presented the Japanese viewpoint at the Dairen Conference.

### Kwangtung and Kwangsi Visit

Canton, Oct. 24. Major-General Neiji Okamura, chief of the Second Section of the Tokyo General Staff, Mr. Tatsu Kawai, Japanese Consul General in Canton, and Lieut.-Colonel Kanzo Usuda, Japanese military officer in Canton, are expected to arrive here on Saturday from Shanghai. General Okamura is coming to Canton to find out the attitude of the leaders here towards Japan and the Nanking Government.

Mr. Kawai and Colonel Usuda went to Shanghai to attend the conference of Japanese officials in China with regard to the new China policy, which applies also to this part of the country. General Okamura will later go to Nanning to see General Pai Chung-hsi.

It is stated that Japanese military men are much interested in the stand the South-west has adopted vis-a-vis Nanking, as the former are opposed to General Chiang Kai-shek's regime.

Japan is increasing her hold on China, say vernacular papers, taking advantage of the Italo-Abyssinian dispute which diverts the attention of the Powers from China.—*Special.*

### OBITUARY

### COUNCILLOR TO MILITARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Peiping, October 24. The death has occurred of General Chin Yun-ao Senior Councillor to the Military Advisory Council.—*Reuter.*

General Chin Yun-ao was born in 1878 and was a native of Ching-shantung. A graduate of the Peiyang Military Academy he was appointed in 1923 to the command of the 11th Division.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### DISCUSS NUMBER OF C.B.S. GARDENERS REQUIRED

At yesterday's meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, a supplementary vote of \$2,050 for the erection of gardeners' quarters in Kowloon was referred back on the motion of Sir William Shenton, who complained that the number of gardeners required for the Central British School was excessive.

Votes totalling \$23,650.00 were considered.

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Acting) presided, and there were also present:

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. E. Taylor).  
Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson (Director of Public Works).  
Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C.  
Hon. Sir William Shenton, Kt.  
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E.;  
Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson;  
Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell;  
Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau;  
Mr. H. R. Butters (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

In opening the meeting, the Colonial Secretary said he was pleased to announce that most of the votes were savings and he did not think there was much to explain in them.

When discussing Item No. 67, analytical apparatus and chemicals, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson enquired as to how £70 was written down as equal to \$1,050.

In replying, the Colonial Treasurer said: "That is the estimated figure—\$15 to a pound. We do not know what the actual rates will be in December but that is the estimated rate for 1935."

In regard to Item No. 71, gardeners' quarters, the Hon. Sir William Shenton asked how many gardeners were to be allocated to the Kowloon Hospital, Mental Hospital and Central British School.

The Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson said that eight were for the Central British School and that twelve had originally been asked for.

The Hon. Sir William Shenton: It seems to me that six gardeners for the Central British School is a better number. I do not want to propose the vote, but I would like it referred back.

The Colonial Secretary: I will make a note of it.

All the votes, with the exception of \$2,050 in connection with the erection of gardeners' quarters, were approved.

### EXTRADITION SOUGHT

### FUGITIVE SAYS HE WAS A DETECTIVE

A denial of the robbery charge alleged against him was made by Chiu Shiu-ling alias Tsui Kau Ah Chan Siu-fun, at the continued hearing of the extradition proceedings against him, before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The fugitive is wanted by the Canton authorities in connection with a robbery said to have taken place at the Ko Sha village, Siu Lam, Chun Shan district, within the province of Kwangtung, on May 5 last, when he is alleged to have robbed Liu Chuen-leung, now dead, of the sum of \$1,055.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, is conducting the case for the Crown, and Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones is representing the fugitive.

The fugitive, giving evidence yesterday, said his last employment in China was that of a detective in a district garrison. His force was the detective squad of the Chun Shan district, and he had been in it for three years.

### Denies Robbery

With regard to the alleged robbery, the fugitive said that on the night of May 5 he went under orders of the officer commanding the first principal company to the house of Liu Chuen-leung to arrest him and Lee Wai-lam for stealing litchies from the orchard of the Chau Chuen Tak Tong. He went with eleven men, who were in uniform, while he himself was in plain clothes. He did not steal any silver, nor did any of his men. There was no silver in the house at all.

After arresting Liu and Lee, they were taken to the office of the commanding officer of the first principal company, and the following day transferred to the No. 3 sub-station in Siu Lam, and then taken to the Magistracy there. The men were released on bail, and he did not know what happened to them when they appeared in the Magistracy again. Before his death in August last, Liu accused him of stealing his money, and he was placed under arrest. After two months he was released on bail. He did not escape from custody. Witness also testified to having been presented with two silver cups for his services.

The hearing was further adjourned at this stage until this afternoon.

# POST OFFICE.

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR PARCEL MAILS FOR GREAT BRITAIN

Christmas and New Year Parcel Mails for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office as follows:  
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Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

## INWARD MAILS

Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	October 25.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 6th October)	Empress of Japan	October 25.
Japan	Kanjo Maru	October 25.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 27th Sept.)	Pres. Garfield	October 25.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	October 25.
Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru	October 25.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinking	October 25.
Java and Manila	Tjikembang	October 25.
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London, 26th September	Genoa Maru	October 27.
Japan	Mayebashi Maru	October 27.
Straits	Anjo Maru	October 27.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 7th October)	Bessa	October 28.
Straits, Manila and London Parcels (London, 19th September)	Menestheus	October 28.
Japan	Tokushima Maru	October 28.
Shanghai	Achilles	October 29.
Straits and Air Mail ex Imperial Airways Service (London, 12th October)—and Air Mail ex Amsterdam-Bandong Service—	Anhui	October 29.
Amsterdam, 16th Oct.	Bangalore	October 29.
Straits	Batavia	October 29.
Shanghai	Hosang	October 29.
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	October 29.
Java	Tjinegara	October 29.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 3rd October and London Parcels—London, 26th September	Corfu	October 31.
Shanghai	Fumacusa	October 31.
Japan	Nellor	October 31.
Haiphong	G.G. Paul Doumer	November 1.
Japan and Shanghai	General Pershing	November 1.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 12th October).	Pres. Grant	November 1.
Saigon	Chenonceaux	November 2.

## OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Friday.		
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Klungchow	Fri., Oct. 25, 1 p.m.
Formosa	Kwantow Maru	Fri., Oct. 25, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon, Mauritius, Reunion, Tin How	Tin How	Fri., Oct. 25, 2.30 p.m.
Madagascar and South Africa	Hai Tan	Fri., Oct. 25, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Emp. of Japan	Fri., Oct. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Garfield	Fri., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. (Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 12th Nov.))	Pres. McKinley	Fri., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Kamo	Reg.	Fri., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
via Thursday Island, 7th November	Reg.	Fri., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Suwa Maru	Reg.	Fri., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 24th November).	K. P. O.	Reg., Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.
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Letters, Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.
Saturday.		
Amoy	Kaying	Sat., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial-Airways Santhia Service" (Due London, 11th November).	K.P.O.	Reg., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.
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Letters for "Bandong-Amsterdam Santhia Air Mail Service" (Due Amsterdam, 7th November).	K.P.O.	Reg., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.
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Letters for "Singapore, Australia Santhia Air Mail Service" (Due Darwin, 6th November).	K.P.O.	Reg., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.
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Straits, Sandakan and Calcutta	Santhia	Sat., Oct. 26, 4 p.m.
Parcels, Oct. 26, 4 p.m.	Letters, Oct. 26, 4 p.m.	Letters, Oct. 26, 4 p.m.
Shantung	Shantung	Sat., Oct. 26, 5 p.m.
Sunday.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Oct. 27, 9 a.m.
Monday.		
Swatow and Bangkok	Kweiyang	Mon., Oct. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Dairen	Nanning	Mon., Oct. 28, 3.30 p.m.
Tuesday.		
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tjladane	Tues., Oct. 29, 8.30 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Sinking	Tues., Oct. 29, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Oct. 29, 3 p.m.
Wednesday.		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Asama Maru	Reg.	Wed., Oct. 30.
Central and South America, Canada and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 20th Nov.)	Reg.	Oct. 29, 5 p.m.
Straits	Achilles	Wed., Oct. 30, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Yunnan	Wed., Oct. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Oct. 30, 1.30 p.m.
Thursday.		
Amoy	Hosang	Thurs., Oct. 31, 5 p.m.
Friday.		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, Emp. of Japan	Reg.	Fri., Nov. 1.
U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) (Due Vancouver B.C., 19th Nov.)	Reg.	Oct. 31, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Reg.	Nov. 1, 9.15 a.m.
Manila	Reg.	Nov. 1, 10 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Reg.	Fri., Nov. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Reg.	Fri., Nov. 1, 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. (Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 20th November)).	Reg.	Fri., Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.
Reg., Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.	Reg., Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.	Reg., Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.
Letters, Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.	Letters, Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.	Letters, Nov. 1, 1.30 p.m.
Saturday.		
Shanghai	Conto Rosso	Sat., Nov. 2, 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and Nellore	Reg.	Sat., Nov. 2.
New Zealand via Brisbane	Reg.	Nov. 1, 5 p.m.
(Due Brisbane, 19th November)	Reg.	Nov. 2, 8.45 a.m.
Letters, Nov. 2, 9.30 a.m.	Letters, Nov. 2, 9.30 a.m.	Letters, Nov. 2, 9.30 a.m.

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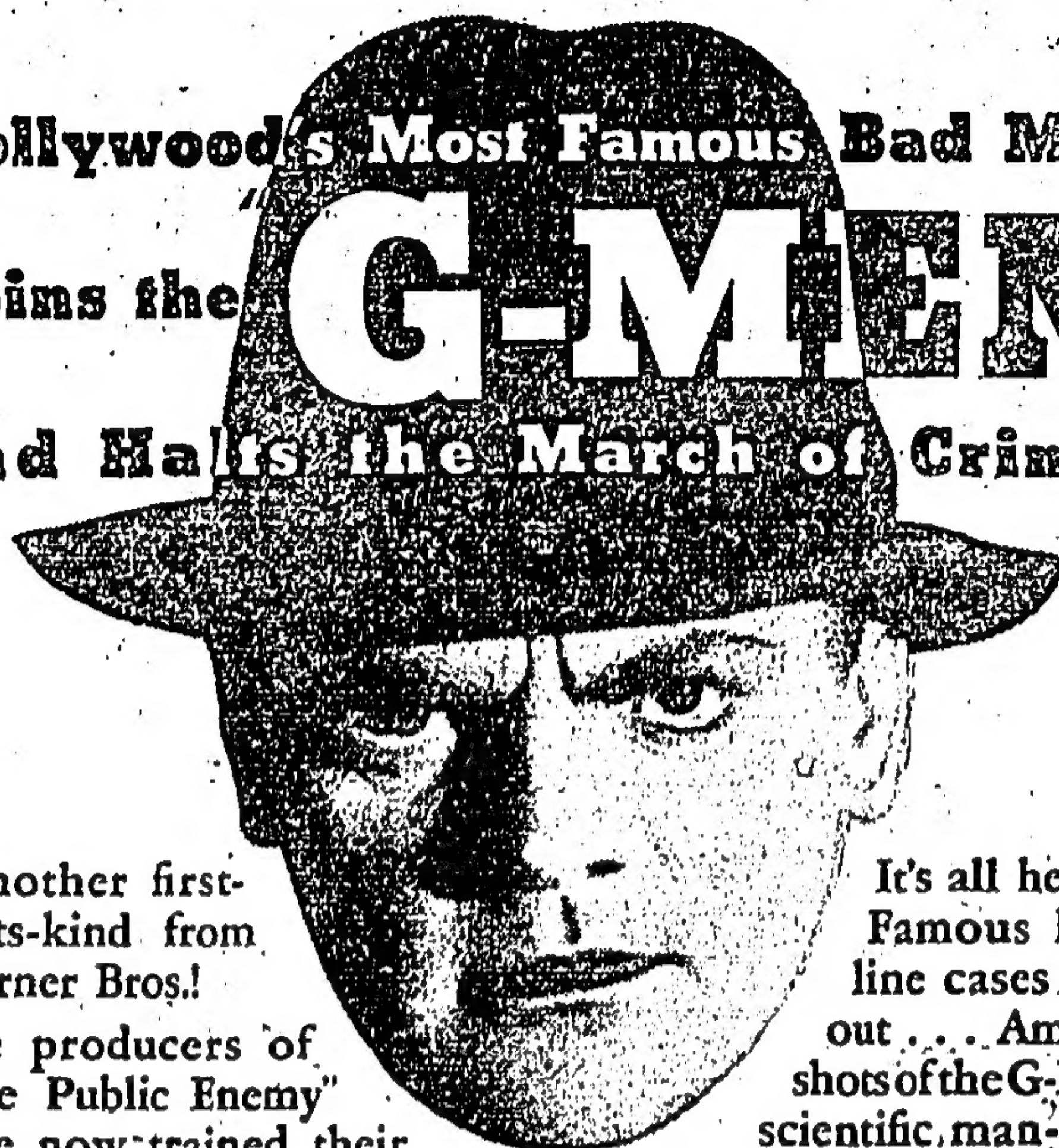
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## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

### LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters, Oct. 23, Oct. 24.

British Government Securities		
War Loan 3 1/2%	£105 3/4	£105 3/4
redm. after 1935	£105 3/4	£105 3/4
Chinese Bonds		
4 1/2% Bonds 1938	£101 3/4	£101 3/4
4 1/2% Loan 1938	£99 1/4	£99 1/4
5% Loan 1912	£77 1/4	£77 1/4
5% George V. Loan	£91 1/4	£91 1/4
1912 (Luh. Iss.)	£91 1/4	£91 1/4
5% Bonds 1925-47	£90 3/4	£90 3/4
5% Shai-Nanking	£69 1/4	£69 1/4
Rly.	£69 1/4	£69 1/4
5% Tient-Pukow	£22	£22
Rly.	£22	£22
5% Tient-Pukow	£23 1/4	£23 1/4
Railway (Supl.)	£25	£25
5% Hnan Rly.	£25	£25
5% Hukwang Rly.	£38	£38
1911	£38	£38
5% Lung Tsin U.	£11 1/4	£11 1/4
Ital Rly. 1913	£11 1/4	£11 1/4
Foreign Bonds and Banks		
German 7% Int.	£57 1/4	£58
Loan 1924	£83 1/4	£84
Loan 1907	£94 1/4	£95 1/4
Japan 5% Sterling	£13 1/4	£13 1/4
Loan 1924	£13 1/4	£13 1/4
H.K. & Shai Bk.	£13 1/4	£13 1/4
(Luh. Regd.)	£13 1/4	£13 1/4
Chartd. Bk. of I.A.	£13 1/4	£13 1/4
& Co.	£13 1/4	£13 1/4

Commercial and Industrial		
Allied Iron Found-	37/3	37/0
ries		
Associated Elec.	35/-	35/-
Industries	42/3	43/-
Austin Motors ord.	48/3	48/6
sh.	42/3	43/-
Boots 5% sh.	115/-	117/0
British-American	93/9	95/-
Tobacco (Heuer)	11/-	12/-
Canadian Celanese	53/9	54/-
Chinese Eng. and	53/9	54/-
Mtn. (Beaver)	53/9	54/-
Countdowns	53/9	54/-
Distillers	53/9	54/-
Dunlop Rubber	53/9	54/-
Electric Musical	53/9	54/-
Industries	53/9	54/-
General Electric	53/9	54/-
(England)	53/9	54/-
Haymaker Aircraft	53/9	54/-
Impl. Chem. Ind.	53/9	54/-
Impl. Bazar	53/9	54/-
Impl. Tobacco	53/9	54/-
Rolls Royce 41	53/9	54/-
sh.	53/9	54/-
S'hai Elec. Contr.	53/9	54/-
Tate & Lyle	53/9	54/-
Turner & Newall	53/9	54/-
United Steel	53/9	54/-
Vickers	53/9	54/-
Watney, Combe &	53/9	54/-
Reid def. ord.	53/9	54/-
Woolworths	53/9	54/-

Miscellaneous		
Anglo-Dutch	25/-	25/-
Gula Kalumpung	22/3	22/3
Rubber	22/3	22/3
Pekin Synd. 2/-	1/-	1/-
ord. sh.	30/7 1/2	31/-
Rubber Trusts	30/7 1/2	31/-

Mines		
Burma Corp. Rs.	11/9	11/9
Comms. W. A. I.	11/1 1/2	11/3
Mining	62/9	63/6
R. and I. Ent. I.	7/3	7/6
Estates	41/10 1/2	42/6
Sparwater Gold	251/3	252/6
Mining	101/3	101/3
Sub-Nigel	61/4 1/2	64/4 1/2
Rhodana Corp.	76/3	76/3
Shell Trans and	16/3	16/3
Trad. (Beaver)	29/9	29/9
Chosen Corp.		
Marsman Invest-		
ments, Ltd.		

## U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

### LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters, Oct. 23, Oct. 24.

October	11.05	10.98/11.00xx
December	11.00	10.90/90
January	10.90	10.90/90
March	11.03	10.94/94
May	11.07	10.99/11.00
July	11.07	11.01/01
Spot	11.00	11.05

New York Rubber

December	13.15	13.16/16
January	13.22	13.26/26
March	13.39	13.42/44
May	13.52	13.57/59
July	13.67	13.74/74

Total sales—361 lots.

Chicago Wheat		
December	99 1/2	99 1/2
May	99	98 1/2
July	89	89 1/2

Wednesday's sales: 20,746,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn		
December	61 1/2	60 1/2
May	60 1/2	60 1/2
July	60 1/2	60 1/2

Wednesday's sales: 7,221,000 bushels.

Winnipeg Wheat		
October	88 1/2	
December	89	Market closed
May	89	

New York Sugar

December	2.41	2.45/46
January	2.16	2.16/17
March	2.12	2.12/13
May	2.17	2.16/17
July	2.20	2.20/21

Total sales—3,000 tons.

New York Silk		
December	2.00	2.07 1/2/07 1/2
March	2.04	2.04/05
May	2.04	2.05/05

Total sales—83 lots.

Montreal Silver		
December	60.50	Market closed
January	60.50	
March	60.74	
May	60.70	

xx possible mutilation.



Ricardo Cortez and Dorothy Page in "Manhattan Moon," coming to the Alhambra Theatre next week.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Oct. 24. The following reports on the New York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz: The Wall Street Journal report on yesterday's markets:—Stocks to-day were irregular and some recent favorites registered a decline. Oil shares and numerous specialties were upward, but utilities were off when the Brooklyn Union Gas Company paid a quarterly dividend of 75 cents as against a former quarterly dividend of \$1.25. Rubbers were upward on rumors of an advance in the price of the commodity. Silver shares were also upward, renewed interest being attributed to a report of depreciation of the Shanghai Dollar accompanied by heavy sales of bullion in London. The United States Treasury is reported to have bought \$500,000 ounces of silver within the last two days. Automotive shares were active, but sentiment was mixed. Stocks on the curb exchange were irregularly higher, while the bonds market ended upward. S. C. & P. New York office cables:—The market to-day was moderately

## "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

### To-morrow's Picture Features

A feature of to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement will be the publication of numerous wedding groups, including those of Lieut. Barham and Miss Adair, Mr. H. S. Jones and Miss Mary Pridmore, Mr. G. Tavanstjerna and Miss T. Olontzeff, Mr. A. B. Henry and Miss "Billie" Blumenthal, Mr. A. M. Stuart and Miss M. L. Melborne, Mr. J. R. Canning and Miss Z. Gintov, Mr. H. A. Barros and Miss Cecilia Noronha, and Mr. J. A. Mann and Mrs. Navarro-Guerreira. Groups taken at a dinner given to members of the Scandinavian community by Mr. and Mrs. Heiberg will appear, as well as a group of members of the Hongkong University Union, and a picture taken at the R. E. parade last Sunday.

irregular, but the undertone remained firm. Earnings of the Texas Gulf Company for the September quarter were 47 cents per share as against 49 cents per share for the same quarter of last year. The General Railway Signal Company paid 77 cents per share for the year ending September as against a loss for the previous year. The Pacific Lighting Corporation paid \$4.05 cents per share as against \$2.37 for the previous year. Cits 1 Railroads showed a net loss for the month of August of \$2,277,477, after charges had been made, as against a loss of \$2,827,109 for August of last year. New York and Chicago commodity reports received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz: Cotton: Unusually heavy hedging was well taken and the fundamentally second position of the market is unchanged. Spot demand is excellent. There are indications that prices will eventually go higher and purchases on these easy spots are advisable. Wheat: The Evans Company estimates the Canadian export surplus at 350,000,000 bushels, which, with the peaceful European outlook and the heavy Russian and Black Sea shipments, will make this market require an unusual stimulus for material higher prices to be seen. Corn: The supply outlook indicates little improvement in price, with the exception of possible strength of the December position. Rubber: There has been a good demand from the Trade and from commission houses. There are expectations of higher prices and we would purchase on any ease. Special—Brokers' Loans during the past week totalled \$332,000,000 as against \$318,000,000 the previous week.

## REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages	Oct. 23	Oct. 24.
30 Industrials	139.58	139.42
20 Rails	34.72	34.25
20 Utilities	26.82	26.60
40 Bonds	96.00	96.16
11 Commodity Index	56.70	56.63

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### SOCIETY'S BAZAAR ON NOVEMBER 3RD

Preparations are well advanced for the St. Vincent de Paul Society Bazaar, for the benefit of the Hongkong poor, which will be held on Sunday, November 3 in the ground near the Rosary Church, Chatham Road, Kowloon. This is the fifty-second annual Bazaar and Al Fresco Fete to be held by the Society, and a change in the time and the place are being made this year. Formerly it was held in the space around the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road, but with the removal of such a large proportion of the residential population to Kowloon, it was thought better to transfer the fete to the other side of the harbour this year, and it is being held in November instead of December to avoid clashing with other functions of a similar nature.

Stalls are in the course of erection in the ground on Chatham Road, and with the attractive surroundings and the elaborate decorations that are being planned, it is believed that this year's fete will be one of the most picturesque ever held in Hongkong. Many new features will also be introduced into the stalls, and there will be a continuous musical programme.

The Society in whose aid the Bazaar is being held is one of the best known of Hongkong charities. Everything that it receives is distributed to the poor without distinction of race or creed, who are visited by the members in their own homes. Within the past ten years the Society has distributed \$150,889 in this way, and in view of the widespread distress this year it is hoped that a good sum will be put at its disposal as a result of the Bazaar.

## 21 YEARS AGO

### Extracts From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended October 31, 1914.

The rate of dollar on demand was 1s. 8.7/16d.

The wedding took place on October 27, at St. John's Cathedral, of Mr. P. A. Mackintosh and Miss Mabel Osborne. The Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle officiated.

In connection with the Great War, it was announced Germans and Austrians over-military age in Hongkong would be required to leave the Colony within a week, while those of military age would be interned.

The annual report of the Hongkong Cricket Club showed that Mr. T. E. Pearce headed the batting averages for all matches with an average of 51.54, while Mr. M. M. Mann was top bowler, having taken 18 wickets for 286 runs.



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McCook, Neb., Oct. 24. Burlington's stainless steel train, "Mark Twain," has set up a new record for America by covering the distance between Arapahoe and Oxford (20 miles) at an average of 122 miles per hour—United Press.

The first Diesel-electric "neo-train" in regular service in America was on the Chicago Burlington and Quincy R. R. Burlington's "Zephyr," which has been making a daily round-trip between Kansas City and Lincoln, Nebraska since last Armistice Day.

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### THE COMING ELECTION

In three weeks' time, the British electorate will be called upon to decide whether the present Administration shall remain in office. It is not easy, at this distance from the centre of political thought, to assess with any exactitude the prospects of the Baldwin Administration being given a fresh lease of life, although there would appear to be little reason to think that it will suffer a defeat at the polls. It is somewhat unusual for a Government to go to the country in the midst of a big international crisis, and actually there is no necessity for the appeal to be made at this moment, seeing that the Administration has another year to run before its term of office automatically expires. But its leaders evidently believe that its chances of re-election would be greater now than if it waited until next year. In this connection, it must be kept in mind that the measures which have been found necessary in the present crisis have mutually involved the Government in considerable cost, with the prospect of still further heavy expenditure in the immediate future. This fact, together with the additional money which will be needed to bring the defence forces of the nation up to an adequate strength, will be reflected in the next Budget, and it is just possible that with the prospect of additional taxation being necessary, the Government feels that it would be safer to get the election over before the full extent of the burdens were disclosed. Be that as it may, there is nothing to indicate that the electorate is in a mood to throw over the Government at this juncture. In the main, its foreign policy finds widespread support, whilst in the domestic sphere there is general appreciation of the measures which have placed the nation once again on the up grade. The only serious opposition likely is that from Labour, but it is clear that the Labourites are not just now an altogether happy family, besides which their criticism of the Government's handling of the present crisis is rather more of detail than of principle. At the last General Election, the National Government swept the country, being returned with no fewer than 554 seats, compared with the Opposition total of a mere 61. Labour suffered the heaviest reverse, its strength being reduced from 287 at the time it went into power to just over fifty. The Conservatives won no fewer than 208 seats from opponents, losing none previously held, whilst Labour losses totalled 213, with no gains registered. Since then, the Government has lost a few seats in bye-elections, but its strength is still unimpaired. It may be expected that Labour will win back quite a number of its lost seats, but it will be surprising

## NOTES OF THE DAY

### CHAOTIC MARKETS

What is to become of the Hongkong dollar? A good many people were asking that question yesterday. They expect newspapers to know, for some reason, or at least to be able to venture a shrewd guess. We dare not. There is one thing certain, and that is that the fluctuations in Shanghai have been caused by wild speculations and rumour-mongering, and that the rapid depreciation of the Shanghai dollar has had its effect on the local market. There was a rumour yesterday that the Shanghai gold bar market might be closed, for it had panicked and the bar price had risen by leaps and bounds, coming close to \$1,100 yesterday afternoon. Someone must have been badly hurt in the clinches. Meanwhile, we were told by those who know about these things, because we were busy making enquiries to satisfy anxious questioners, that the Hongkong Government was going to place an embargo on the export of Hongkong silver dollars. The Government replied that it was not, but that it appreciated the danger of a severe drain upon the resources of the Colony if the value of the dollar sank below export parity. An embargo, experts state, would certainly have an unfortunate effect upon the exchange market. It is all very involved, but it is worth while studying, because the future of the dollar will have a very vital effect upon the condition of affairs in this Colony. If exchange weakens seriously, the Government will be embarrassed, and will be faced with the necessity of finding new taxation or cutting civil servants' pay. Those who heretofore have clamoured for a lower dollar, and moaned over the rising rate, had best beware lest that for which they wished so fervently should actually come about, bringing with it pay cuts.

### WHAT'S A WEEK-END?

The strange things that people ask! Someone now demands that he be given a precise definition of the duration or extent of what is commonly called a week-end. Life to him, apparently, will be no longer worth living if the present uncertainty on that point be allowed to continue. Says the *Edinburgh Evening Dispatch*. It is another evidence that matter-of-fact materialism is laying its icy hand on everything nowadays. We no longer breed inspired geniuses; instead we have a multitude of potential or fully certificated accountants and auditors, aided by powerful batteries of mechanical calculators. Now, surely, the supreme beauty of the British week-end—a gift that it is our proud privilege to have conferred on mankind—is this very vagueness—or elasticity—that meticulous minds find so irritating? It may be anything from a solitary Saturday afternoon to the period which begins on Thursday morning and ends on Wednesday night. Even the railway companies have adopted the beautiful scheme by granting week-end tickets of a duration that would have greatly shocked our forbears, who, we are too often told, were always much more devoted to their work than we are.

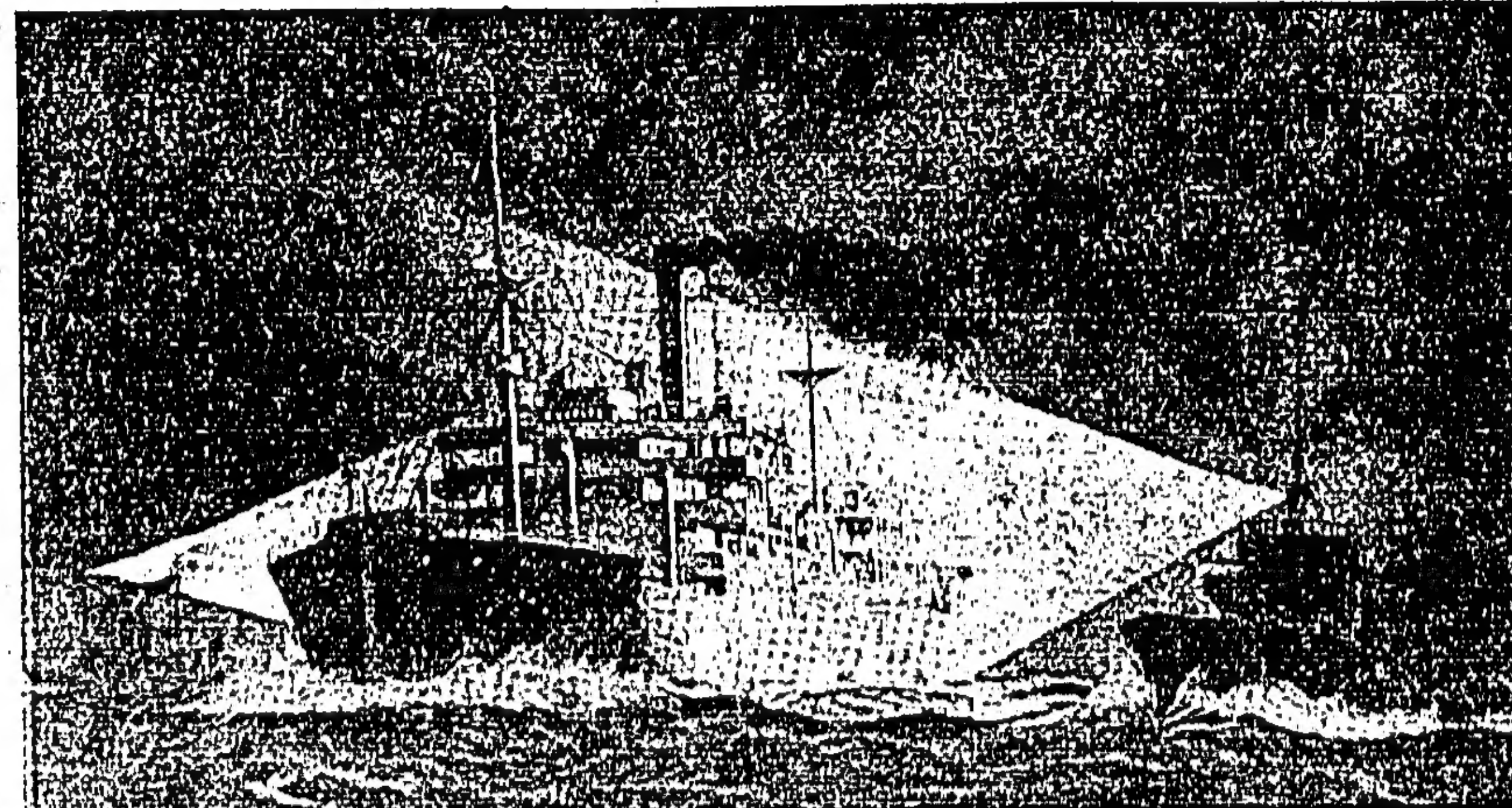
### IT MAY COME

No man has yet seriously argued that the words week-end are synonyms for a fortnight, but, at the present rate of expansion, that also may come. Machinery can be made to do so much of the world's serious work in these days that there is no reason why the week-ends of many of us should not be as long as we choose to make them. At the worst it is no more heinous to prolong a week-end unprecisely than it is to put the clock back or forward an hour, as twice a year, the Government exhorts us to do. The day is far distant, it is hoped, when the cry will be for shorter week-ends. Generally, the longer they are the better. True, international crises have a strange tendency to break out at the end of the week, as have the speeches of Mr. Lloyd George; but these evils, it will surely be admitted, are as nothing compared with the many benefits that flow from the weekly cessation of mischievous activities by the bulk of British citizens. It seems tolerably certain that if Signor Mussolini, Herr Hitler, and some other mortals east in a Napoleonic mould could but be persuaded to take a week-end off now and then, the world would be a less nerve-racking place to live in, and the international crises referred to above would undergo the heaviest slump they have shown for years.

if the Government is not able to muster a majority over all other factions combined. Britain's reputation abroad would suffer severely from a change of Government at this juncture. There is small reason to think that the elections will have any such result.

# The Right of Search

## Position of Shipping in the At Sea Event of a Naval Blockade



Scenes such as this, common during the Great War, may again prevail in the Mediterranean and Red Seas if the League authorises a naval blockade of Italy.

THE rights of neutrals and belligerents in the event of League sanctions against Italy taking the form of a naval blockade must be of great interest to British people, especially in Hongkong, because such a vast proportion of our trade passes through what might be termed the "war area."

"The right of visiting and searching merchant ships upon the high seas, whatever be the ships, whatever be the cargoes, whatever be the destinations, is the incontestable right of a belligerent nation." Thus Lord Stowell in 1799, and nothing has happened since to alter these rights of a belligerent nation.

True, the United States took a stand upon the "Freedom of the Seas," and this doctrine was embodied in President Wilson's Fourteen Points. It has been defined by an American statesman as, "The right of neutral nations to carry their commerce as freely in time of war as in peace, except when they carry actual munitions of war or when they actually seek to break a blockade—which is more than a paper blockade."

THE American State Department, however, has recommended, and President Roosevelt has concurred, that the United States should not insist upon the "Freedom of the Seas" in future wars. In any event, the British Government has always been an upholder of the right of visit and search of merchant vessels, under whatever flag they may sail; and an opponent of the doctrine of the "Freedom of the Seas." It was this attitude which led to much controversy between Great Britain and the United States during the Great War.

The right of visit and search may be exercised in the territorial waters of the belligerent or his enemies or anywhere upon the high seas, but not in the territorial waters of neutral States. Legally a vessel may be stopped anywhere outside such waters in any part of the globe. In case of actual sea hostilities, however, it is unlikely that the League or Britain would wish to exercise this right outside the Mediterranean and Red Seas, and possibly the north-west portion of the Indian Ocean. Even should wish to do so, insistence upon the right of visit and search in other parts of the world would lead to dispersion of force which could hardly be contemplated.

It may be assumed, therefore, that shipping would, in the event of naval hostilities, be subjected to visit and search only in the Mediterranean and Red Seas and the vicinity of the Gulf of Aden, and in these immediate approaches are protected both by being in Egyptian territorial waters and by Article 4 of the Convention of Constantinople, which forbids any act of war in the canal or within three sea miles of its ports.

THE submission of neutral ships to visit and search upon the high seas must, of course, delay them upon their voyages. While it is obviously in the interests of a belligerent to reduce the inconvenience caused to neutral shipping to a minimum, the delay may be considerably increased by weather conditions, for, where the weather does not permit of visit and search upon the high seas, or when there is a reasonable suspicion of illegal trading, neutral vessels may be diverted to a suitable port. Having regard to the limitations of the right of search to the high seas or belligerent territorial waters, this must obviously mean the diversion of the ship to a port for search.

This right to divert ships for search was clearly maintained by France in 1916, when the Ministry of Marine made a declaration to the effect that "The French Admiralty consider that to-day a ship in order to be visited and searched ought to be diverted to a port whenever the state of the sea or the nature, weight, volume, or stowage of the suspected cargo, as well as the obduracy and lack of precision in the papers on board, makes visit and search at sea impossible in practice or dangerous to the ship visited."

It is laid down by International Law that, in the event of subsequent examination proving that suspicions were unfounded, the neutral can obtain damages against the belligerent Power. But such damages are only for losses arising from unreasonable diversion or from unreasonable delay.

The fact that neutral warships are not subject to visit and search gives rise to the question of whether neutral merchant ships, if escorted by a neutral man-of-war, are liable to stoppage. It has been argued that a convoy, being under the direct supervision of a man-of-war, is exempt from visit and search. This exemption has been termed the "right of convoy." That the "right of convoy" detracts in any way from the right of visit and search has never been admitted by Great Britain, and an American judge has asserted that "the law deems the sailing under convoy as an act per se inconsistent with neutrality."

There is no doubt, therefore, that a naval boycott of Italy would confer the right upon Britain of stopping, visiting, and searching Italian ships on the high seas passing through the Mediterranean or the Red Sea or approaching the Gulf of Aden, and, if considered necessary, of diverting ships for detailed examination in a friendly port.

There is another important point. That is that ships carrying contraband—and it is for only in the Mediterranean and Red Seas and the vicinity of the Gulf of Aden, and in these immediate approaches are protected both by being in Egyptian territorial waters and by Article 4 of the Convention of Constantinople, which forbids any act of war in the canal or within three sea miles of its ports.

that the cargo is eventually destined for a belligerent.

THIS doctrine was originated by Great Britain and was upheld during the Great War in spite of the protests of neutrals. Thus Britain would be entitled to detain Italian cargoes consigned to Italian ports, the ports of Italian Somaliland, and the ports of Libya pending a decision of the Prize Court—provided, of course, that they contained articles characterised as contraband.

The adoption of economic sanctions by the League of Nations as a measure designed to prevent war does not, of course, bring the rights of either belligerents or neutrals into operation, for the adoption of sanctions does not in itself involve any act of war. But the rights of visit and search could be exercised after a formal declaration of naval blockade against Italy.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the intention of Italy to treat the Abyssinian campaign as a punitive expedition only and not involving any declaration of war has no foundation in fact. Abyssinia is an accepted independent State and a member of the League of Nations. This, of itself, makes the invasion of her territory an act of war which can not be characterised as a punitive measure.

## The Very Idea!

ON HOLIDAYS

### Big Newspaper Faces A Staff Mutiny

By Empress Eddie Kelly, of Britain  
WHAT with all these American congressmen arriving here next week, and being pestered all day by the office flappers and people who want to pay us the money they owe us for card debts, we have decided that what we want is a nice, long holiday.

Maybe, by working day and night, snatching a mouthful of food when it can, remaining at its post until it falls exhausted under its typewriter, and by sheer grit, perseverance and going without a shave, the staff of the *Telegraph* will be able to carry on during our absence.

As soon as we started mentioning holidays, our acquaintances enthusiastically remembered certain places on the atlas. Some of them thought that Ethiopia would be a good place, while others pointed out the possible benefit of a trip to Szechuan, where the Communists are chopping off people's heads, or Bismarck Bay, where there are other pirates.

This business of going for a holiday, however, requires careful consideration. There is, for instance, luggage to be packed, the flat to be sub-let, and furniture to be stored. One must also come to some arrangement with his creditors.

And then, if we stay away too long, there might be a mutiny of the staff.

And, finally, fares and expenses are a big consideration. Anyway, what would it cost to go to Macao for a day?







## FORMATION OF LOCAL BILLIARDS ASSOCIATION

## LI BROTHERS HAVE A SUCCESSFUL DAY

SEVERAL NOTABLE WINS AT THE RECENT RACE MEETING

LI TSE-FONG ONLY OWNER TO HAVE WON DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

(By "Capt. Foster")

(By "CAPTAIN FOSTER")

The outstanding feature of the Tenth Extra Race Meeting held at the Happy Valley last Saturday under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club was the high success of the Li family, who won five races out of eight on the card and on top of this "joss" they had three seconds and four thirds.

Mr. Li Shui-pang started the ball rolling in the second race, the Queensland Handicap "A" Class with Racing Heart, and Soldier of Peace was second in the Connaught Handicap "C" Class.

Mr. Li Tse-fong, who was the only owner to register two wins, won the Daily Double Event with Pacific Hall and High Speed, and the combination paid \$725.10 to the five successful punters. Mr. G. U. da Rosa, who was the only jockey to score a double, nursed Pacific Hall and High Speed to a nicely and he is to be congratulated for being the first jockey to win the first and second legs of the Daily Double Event in the same afternoon.

The highest dividend of the "pari" was provided by a black pony, High Speed, which paid \$144.60. Mr. Li Tse-fong's success was in the Ballant Handicap when High Finance, owned by Lady Southern's Halcyn for third place stake money.

## OTHER SUCCESSES

Mr. Li Shui-pang, who is the owner of the "View" Stable, had the pleasure of leading in five ponies, Bright View, won the Wyndham Handicap, and Connaught's Beauty and Harvest View were second in the October Handicap and the Gaine Handicap respectively, while Night View and Jangle Jim each earned \$100 to pay for their upkeep.

The last feather to the Lis' cap was added by Mr. Li Shui-pang in the last race when his son Mr. Li Fuk-tai rode his own pony, Mayflower, to win the Bonham Handicap, while Hearts Glory owned by Mr. Li Fuk-wing (eldest son of Mr. Li Shui-pang) was third in the same race with Mr. Coppin up.

The Li Brothers received a great ovation when the three placed ponies, High Speed, Soldier of Peace and Jangle Jim, in the second leg of the Daily Double Event (Connaught Handicap) were led in by Messrs. Li Tse-fong, Li Shui-pang and Li Lung-sang respectively.

## FAVOURITES' BAD DAY

Although the attendance was not so good as at the Double Ten Meeting, the racing was of very high standard with several exciting and close finishes, and with the exception of Liberty Day, all the top weighters had a poor day owing to the shippers going and the favourites let punters down badly.

Once again Mr. Tang Man-wa, taking the advantage of five lbs. allowance on The Lady Gauge, opened the Meeting with a handsome return of \$61.40 when he won in the Paddock of a short head and as the Judges could not separate Fergemaster and Ebony Idol the Stakes money for second and third places was shared equally. The finish was really very exciting for The Rain Gauge, Fergemaster, Ebony Idol, Tin Ho and The Doornet passed the Winning Post almost in a line.

Mr. Tang deserves a pat on the back for his handling of the pony and he needs only one more win to put him out of the novices class.

## SURPRISES CAUSED

Immediately the weighing in bell had gone for the Queensland Handicap (Six Furlongs) Mr. Clerk of the Weather let loose a few drops of water from above and this caused many upsets during the afternoon. It seems incredible that Racing Heart led the procession in the Queensland Handicap, for he has never been placed in any of his outings under the distance of a mile since 1934. Racing Heart was known to be good from a mile upwards and he certainly did spring a surprise on the experts by winning the sprint race, beating such stalwarts as Robin Star, Atlas and Derby Day, all very good over short distances.

Racing Heart's time, namely 1.17.4/5secs, was only two-fifths outside the record held by Robin Star. Derby Day, the red hot favourite, set a terrible pace at the release of the barrier but, when entering the straight, she suddenly collapsed and finished a very bad fourth.

The main event, October Handicap, attracted only five starters and it was a tame affair. Liberty Bay won as he pleased. Gladiator, the favourite, did not like racing last Saturday and finished a very bad fourth. Connaught's Beauty ran well to pay \$17.10 for a win.

A good start was seen in the Wyndham Handicap and, passing the Judges Box for the first time, King's Bounty and Helmar who were leading the field were going strong, but up the incline, King's Bounty was labouring. Down the decline, Helmar was at the front with Bright View, Sadko and The Tiger at the rear. In (Continued on Page 9.)

## RONNIE GERRARD ENGAGED

FORMER HONGKONG BOY IN ENGLAND

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY PLAYER

(By "Sagax")

Local residents will be interested to learn that a former Hongkong boy, born and educated in the Colony, but now living in England, is shortly to be married.

Ronnie Gerrard, the English rugby international, and captain of Bath and Somerset, is engaged to be married to Miss Molly Taylor, of Bath.

It is many years since Gerrard left Hongkong where he was born, the son of the late Mr. W. G. Gerrard, formerly Assistant Superintendent of Police in Hongkong.

Ronnie was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School and in 1927 went to Taunton School, Somerset. He is a brilliant all round sportsman and has won many championships at different games but it was at rugby that he has been able to secure the highest honours.

Up to the time he went to Taunton Gerrard had neither seen nor played rugby football, and proof that he is a born player is evident from the fact that, whilst still a schoolboy, he made such good progress that the County claimed his services.

He has played with unflinching regularity for Somerset ever since. After his school he became attached to Messrs. Colles Bros., of Bath, and, of course, became a regular member of the Bath First XV.

## SELECTED FOR ENGLAND

In 1931 the English selectors avowed to the fact that very nearly the perfect centre—strong, heavy (he then weighed 14 stone), fast, clever and resourceful, with a terrific hand-off—was to be found in the West, and accordingly they put him in both the English trials that season.

They soon decided he was a "find" and he made his debut in international football, playing for England against the South African Tourists at Twickenham on January 2, 1932.

His display on that occasion brought him high praise and his place in the England XV henceforward was assured.

That is a brief summary of his career in the game, but what an achievement—never to have played Rugby at 15 and at 19 to be singled out for the highest recognition a player can expect—the honour of playing for his country, or at least the country of his adoption.

As a cricketer, swimmer, tennis player, rifle shoot, athlete and footballer, Gerrard has taken a prominent part in the sporting activities of first his school, and then his club.

It may here be mentioned that in 1929 and 1930 he won the Public Schools putting-the-weight championship at Stamford Bridge. It was at putting-the-weight that the late Mr. W. G. Gerrard excelled whilst in Hongkong where he won the championship regularly each year.

## OXFORD RUGBY VICTORY

EASY WIN AGAINST NEWPORT

Playing at Oxford to-day, the University's rugby fifteen won against Newport by twelve points to nil.—Routier.

Mrs. B. W. Brindbury will distribute the Prizes at the annual "At Home" of the Craigongowor Cricket Club on Sunday, October 27. There will be bowls and tennis, followed by a tea dance.



Members of the Malayan football team which arrived in Hongkong by the President Hoover yesterday from Shanghai. The side played the Army at Sookunpoo later in the afternoon and then sailed by the Hoover for Manila. Inside: Rowlands, the Army goalkeeper, snatching the ball from one of the Chinese players who is seen about to head for goal. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)

## ARMY'S FOOTBALL WIN AGAINST THE MALAYANS

BEATS BUTLER AT TENNIS

DE MORPURGO OUT

(By H. S. SCRIVENER)

The best match in the men's singles at Rockampton yesterday was that in which R. K. Tinkler beat D. W. Butler 3-1. They met a short time back in the third round of the singles at Eastbourne, and Tinkler, who went on to carry off the event, won in three sets.

Yesterday he got home more quickly in two—7-5, 6-4. Butler followed up his service nearly all the time, and even when not serving strove for a position at the net. Tinkler sometimes followed up his service too, but as a rule, he preferred to preface his advance and lay the foundation for it by a wholehearted bang into one of the corners, preferably the backhand. It is by no means easy to thwart a persistent volleyer, and Tinkler is to be commended for his staunchness.

Three service games were lost at the start, one by Tinkler and two by Butler, but Tinkler lost another later, and they were 4-4. After this it was service for service until Tinkler, leading by 6-5, won Butler's for the set. In the second set Tinkler got the first break-through for 3-1, and got another one later for 5-1, which meant that he was on velvet. But a temporary slump then happened. He lost his service (5-2) and could not clinch a match point in the next game, a long one which Butler won after being pulled back from "vantage" several times. Then Tinkler, serving, had two or three more match points, but lost the game through missing "alters". But he was still 6-4, and settled the issue by suddenly recovering himself and winning Butler's service to love.

A. M. Cunningham, the other surviving Oxford Blue, was, in the meantime, beating L. H. Wheatcroft rather more easily. Wheatcroft was hitting off the ground with his own freedom and often beating his rival with well-aimed drives and passes, but unlucky for him his volleying was not as good as it can be, with the result that Cunningham, a really fine volleyer, did the greater amount of execution at the net. In the first set Cunningham won two of Wheatcroft's services in each set—no inconsiderable feat—losing one of his own in the first set.

As a complete contrast the match in which P. H. D. Wilde beat Baron H. L. de Morpurgo was inconceivably dull. It was mainly a bout of what may be described as specialised pat-ball. Wilde won, and I can at any rate commend him for the exemplary patience which he displayed all through regardless of the state of the score. But I wondered what had become of the Wilde whom I had watched with such lively interest last Saturday.

In the women's singles Mrs. Peters, the cupholder, was eliminated by Mrs. Wheatcroft. She was competing against a sore throat as well as against a very competent opponent, but nevertheless I do not think she will grudge Mrs. Wheatcroft a well-deserved win. But the finest exhibition of the game in this event was perhaps given by Mrs. Strawson. She defeated Miss Hardwick, who is looked upon as one of our younger players who may succeed in the international arena, where some of their seniors, mainly from the point of view of priority rather than of age, have failed. Miss Strawson was entitled to the D. C. M. for beating Mrs. Edgington by 6-1, 6-3.

LACK OF FINESSE IS LOSERS' WEAKNESS

BEATEN BY TWO GOALS TO ONE IN SECOND HALF AFTER EARLY LEAD

(By SAGAX)

Army 2 Malaya 1

Army:—Rowlands; Swain and Steele; Keneghan, Lawton and North Clayton, Sandford, Higgins, Ridley and Baldry.

Malaya:—Wong Kam-pak; Chiu Guan-lean and Tan Kai-ban; Kee Yew-leng (deputed by R. Leon in second half), Kan Tuck-see and Lim Shwee-chun; Toh Ah-chee, Lee Ee-yow, Shiu Keng-hock, Yeow Sin-wah and Choy Khun-onn.

A delightful exhibition of football was given by the Malayan Chinese team which passed through the Colony yesterday after its recent visit to Shanghai for the National Games, in which the team was runners-up to the Hongkong Contingent for the Soccer Championship.

The Southerners who arrived on board the President Hoover yesterday played the Army at Sookunpoo in the afternoon and lost by two goals to one after they had a slightly greater part of the play.

The combination of the Chinese forwards was confined almost exclusively to the three inside men with the two wing players being given an occasional opportunity to curd their potentialities. Chiu Lee Ee-yow and Yeow Sin-wah played some delightful football and continuously harassed the Army defence but if the ball had been swung about more with the two wings being given their share to do the Chinese would easily have won.

## A WELL BALANCED TEAM

The Chinese possess a well-balanced team and although Tan Kai-ban was not as safe at back as was his colleague, Chiu Guan-lean, who is one of the best backs in Malaya, the defence gave little away and it was not until towards the end when the whole side seemed listless, in comparison with the robust football they were playing earlier, that the soldiers proved their superiority. They had scored one goal behind until quarter of an hour from the end when they scored twice in fairly quick succession.

Chiu Guan-lean played an outstandingly good game at back while of the other defenders Lim Chwee-chun, the left half, was the pick. He heavily always stopped the right flank of the Army team and not only was he able to dispossess the military forwards of the ball but he was giving his forwards great assistance with some accurate passes.

To Swain and Steele must go the fruits of the Army victory, although the way Higgins took advantage of his opportunities when in front of goal greatly menaced the Chinese defenders who eventually conceded two goals to their opponents.

The Army forwards worked the ball down the field on many occasions and came within an inch of scoring several times. The half backs were not as prominent as they might have been against a less speedy and skilful forward line as that possessed by the Chinese and Lawton, Keneghan and North had their work all cut out trying to stop Chiu Keng-hock and company.

Rowlands brought off a couple of good saves but on the majority of occasions that the Chinese launched an attack on the Army goal the ball was cleared before it ever reached Rowlands.

Chiu is a master mind at centre-forward and when it comes to a

## MOVE TO PROMOTE GAME IN THE COLONY

ORGANISED COMPETITIONS AS MAIN OBJECTIVE

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT TO BE RESUSCITATED

(By "Sagax")

Organised billiards competitions conducted by a controlling body is the object of a number of well-known local sportsmen who are endeavouring to form an association for the purpose of putting the game in Hongkong on a sounder footing than it is at present.

In the past various local organisations have taken it upon themselves to cater for the needs of Hongkong cueists and have conducted different tournaments, but, except for the efforts of the Victoria Recreation Club many years ago, competitive billiards has never become an accomplished fact.

It is well nigh ten years now that the V.R.C. stopped organising the Colony Championship and there has never been another club since which has been able to conduct these competitions with the same regularity. A few years ago the St. Patrick's Club ran the Colony Championship but their lease was short and now there is no organised billiards in the Colony.

It seems a sad omission as there are easily more billiards enthusiasts, good, bad and indifferent, than adherents of any other indoor game in the Colony and for such a popular pastime to be completely without any organised effort is no credit to the enterprise of players in Hongkong.

## MEETING BEING CALLED

There are at least twenty clubs or messes in Hongkong who are constantly organising friendly matches against other teams and there seems little doubt that any attempt to form an Association with a view to promoting billiards in the Colony will receive the ardent support of all followers of the green table game.

The move to form an association is being initiated by several keen billiards players who are anxious to see various tournaments organised each year for the benefit of the great number of people who patronise the game. In the very near future a meeting will be called, inviting the attendance of anybody who might be interested in the formation of Hongkong Billiards Association and the scheme will then be fully discussed.

In addition to the organisation of an annual open championship a league will also be run while other activities will follow in due course. One of our leading local clubs is prepared to sponsor the meeting and Secretaries of organisations are advised to watch out for an announcement of the date, time and place of the meeting.

## YOUNG FOOTBALL PLAYER

J. Harley Makes His Debut At 18.

Liverpool had a League debutante against West Bromwich Albion who was one of the youngest and biggest players in first-class football. He is J. Harley, who is only 18, stands 6ft. 1in., and weighs 13st. Harley signed for Liverpool as a professional last season. He is a noted sprinter, and has taken part in the Powderhall Handicap. He took the place of Dabbs at right back, as Cooper, the international, was not able to play for about a month owing to a broken bone in his instep.

## O'DOWD FOR FRANCE

A Loss To The English Game

Peter O'Dowd, the Chelsea and former Burnley and Blackburn Rovers centre-half, has left England to sign for Valenciennes, a French club.

O'Dowd, who was put on the transfer list at his own request, was capped for England against Scotland in 1932 and against Ireland in 1933. He cost Chelsea £5,000 when they signed him from Burnley in 1931.

It is reported that he was offered £200 for his signature as a Valenciennes player and £10 per week, plus bonus, for the rest of the season. Two years ago O'Dowd, who is



Henri Cochet

## HENRI COCHET RETURNS

VISITING CANTON AND MACAO

## TO PLAY HERE NEXT WEEK

M. Henri Cochet, French professional tennis ace, arrived in Hongkong this morning to play on the Kowloon C.C. grounds next week.

He is accompanied by Mr. Francisco Aragon, Filipino tennis ace, who will also play a series of matches in Hongkong. H. Cochet is leaving for Canton tonight and will probably go direct from there to Macao. He will be back here next week, however, and a meeting with Mr. D. S. Green, Hon. Treasurer of the H.K.L.T.A., has been arranged for 5 p.m. to-day at which details of the matches to be played here will be decided upon.

Mr. Aragon, said the French ace, was a player of a particularly high standard. Future plans for the famous tennis player are somewhat vague at present, but the exhibition matches will take place next week.

Probably Cochet and Madame Cochet, who is accompanying her husband, will leave for Australia by the Nellore, sailing from Hongkong for Sydney on November. There will then follow a tour of the whole of Australia. So far the arrangements in Australia have not been finalised and who the Frenchman will meet is unknown. It depends on what attitude the Australians take to the professional whether he will be able to meet famous Australian amateur Davis Cup champions.

a native of Halifax, was hailed as the best centre-half in England. He was an attacking half-back, however, and the Chelsea policy of employing a "stopper" or third-back, soon resulted in Craig superseding him.



## EXTRA CRICKET TRIAL NEXT SUNDAY

### TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE INTERPORT WITH SHANGHAI

#### A MOST INTRIGUING PROBLEM IN A SUB-COMMITTEE'S FINDING

(By R. Abbot)

The holding of an extra trial on Sunday next at the Kowloon C. C. is a most excellent arrangement and fits in rather with a few casual remarks of mine the other day. I do not of course suggest that they led to it. Far be such conceit from me. I am quite sure that my good friends the Authorities did it in spite of, rather than owing to my remarks.

But it gives us an excellent chance of getting in the trial that the weather did us out of on Saturday last, and it is most devoutly to be hoped that there is a fine week-end. The names of the players have already been published. I have only to observe that there are three or four, playing on Saturday and one or two on Sunday who have as much chance of playing in the Interport as I have. I am glad to see that Melnik gets another shot, but I am wondering what unfortunate chance, for so I fancy it must be, keeps E. R. Duckitt and J. P. Williams out of a place in either game. Beyond this, I have nothing to say. Dawson is a newcomer and I understand has a crooked shoulder which rather handicaps his throwing. He is said to be an excellent bat.

#### A QUEER CONUNDRUM

Some time ago I promised to print in these notes some interesting facts which can be found in cricket records. One of the most intriguing problems I print hereunder, and I should be very glad to venture any of your reader's views on the subject. The contentious matter is a finding of a Sub-Committee of the Advisory County Cricket Committee which met on April 26, 1929 to consider certain proposed changes in the laws of the game. The real stake at issue was the proposal of the Hon. R. H. Lytton to vary the law, rule to that which last season (1928) has been tried in County Cricket. In view of the very weighty decisions which were made I will quote the personnel of the Sub-Committee: Lord Harris was chairman and the members were the Hon. F. S. G. Calhorne, J. W. H. Douglas, P. T. Ekersley, C. A. Faulkner, E. R. Gillman, Nigel Haile, V. W. Jupp, Hon. R. H. Lytton, C. T. A. Wilkinson and Captain W. A. Worsley. These gentlemen decided against Lytton's proposal, but they were with several other matters of law. They legalised the Law, and they also came themselves to a dictum which follows:

There appears to be a very general opinion that there is a law or an instruction, "that the umpire is in doubt he is to give the batsman the benefit of the doubt. This is entirely erroneous. There is no such law and in only a particular case any instruction which can be so construed. That is where one umpire, being unaided refers to his colleague. In such case if the second umpire is also unable to give a decision, the instruction is that the existing state of things is to continue. It would be entirely inappropriate to apply this to any case where an umpire has to and does decide for himself—i.e., the vast majority of cases."

This dictum carefully mentions law or instruction and therefore includes those explanations and rulings which the M.C.C. first issued to umpires in 1923. I quoted it from the first number of the 1929 "Cricket" published on May 4, and it is referred to.

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## LI BROTHERS HAVE SUCCESSFUL DAY

### Several Notable Victories At Race Meeting

(Continued from Page 8.)

The straight, Mr. Fung called upon Bright View for a final spurt. The pony responded gamely to pass the winning post a length ahead of Sadko and The Tiger. Mr. Frost rode a strong finish but the weight on the old timer, Sadko, told at the finish.

#### DISAPPOINTING DISPLAY

The going last Saturday was not to Foxbridge's liking and under the circumstances it was only to be expected that he gave a very disappointing display in the Caine Handicap, which was the first leg of the Daily Double Event. The field was small but in the home run, the fight between Pacific Hall, Harvest View and Night View was very exciting and the finish was a tribute to the official adjudicator. If Night View, who was third, had not weighed out with 8 lbs. more than allotted, he should have won as the margin of defeat was only a neck and a short head. The publication of weights for any Meeting has always been, and always will be a subject of criticism and debate, and no handicapper can ever expect any sympathy from an owner.

However, it will serve no purpose to enlarge further on the subject but when a heavily backed pony goes out with more poundage than the allotment, I am of the opinion that members of the betting public have cause to grouse.

#### CARRY OVER WEIGHT

In the case of Night View, Mr. Fung could have done 140 lbs. on this pony without any trouble but instead he was given Harvest View where he had to carry over 60 lbs. "dead-weight" and Mr. Liang had to declare 8 lbs. overweight. It can be argued that there is no legislation in the matter of carrying over-weights but what about the members of the betting public who are supporters? In the

two named maintained their positions up the incline and the first half-mile was covered in 1.00.3/5 which is very fast for "C" Class ponies.

#### A DELAYED START

There was a delay in starting the Balfour Handicap confined to "B" Class Aussies for Snowy River refused to line up with the field and eventually the barrier was released. Hakeyon was leading at the half-a-mile post, followed by Vixen Tor, High Finance and the rest. Coming into the straight, Streamline took the command, but only for a few strides, when he was challenged by Vixen Tor on the outside. At the Distance Post, Vixen Tor went into the lead and never looked back. There was a good fight between Streamline, High Finance and Hakeyon for places, and Lady Southern's chestnut gelding was just nosed out for a place. Snowy River, apart from a bad start, was never in the race and it seemed the going was not to her liking.

#### THE SECOND LEG

Much interest was centred in the Comnaught Handicap over a mile for "C" Class Ponies as this race was for the second leg of the Daily Double Event and there were 98 successful punters on Pacific Hall out of a total of 824 tickets sold. These 98 backers had 14 ponies from which to select their second leg and there were only five tickets on High Speed who was the only black pony in the field. When the Telegraph Board was hoisted, High Speed's weight was originally shown as 148 lbs. (the total being "13") but was eventually altered to 149 lbs. However, it was the most exciting event of the afternoon and by the time that this race was run, the course, especially from the last quarter bend to the Winning Post, was badly cut up.

At the release of the barrier, Victoria Hall took the lead and was followed by High Speed with the rest of the field in close attendance. The

two named maintained their positions up the incline and the first half-mile was covered in 1.00.3/5 which is very fast for "C" Class ponies.

After passing the famous Black Rock, Jungle Jim, Mistake Bay and Pontiac Bay were prominent with the two "Soldiers" at the rear. At this juncture, Victoria Hall, the pace maker, dropped to the middle of the bunch and Valorous was seen to move up a bit. The field started to spread out when entering the straight and the weight was telling on Mistake Bay and Pontiac Bay for both of them were labouring under pressure. Valorous came through these two ponies and had to take the outside berth to join the fight for the home run.

In the meanwhile Mr. Roza on High Speed was still leading the field hugging on to the rails with Soldier of Peace on his near side accompanied by Valorous. It was a grand fight between High Speed, Soldier of Peace, Jungle Jim, Soldier of China and Valorous from the Distance Post onwards and the liberal use of whips, especially on Soldier of Peace who was a first class slugger, had a great effect but High Speed answered the final call and won by a neck. The same margin of defeat separated Soldier of Peace and Jungle Jim and the latter just managed to nose out Soldier of China for the third place money.

#### RAN A GOOD RACE

Valorous ran a very good race. It must be said that Mr. Roza was at the top of his form and rode a very fine race on the winner owing to the fact that he set a terrific pace for the first half mile of the journey. The three placed ponies were led in by Messrs. Li Tse-fong, Li Shui-pang and Li Lan-sang and they and the jockeys received a great ovation.

Another big field was seen in the last race, the Bonham Handicap from the Two Mile Post, once round and in, confined to "D" Class ponies to be ridden by novices and there were 15 starters. Mr. Li Fak-fai who is the son of Mr. Li Shui-pang rode a wonderful race on the winner, Mayflower, and he needs only one more win to put him among the experts. Mr. Choy Wing-hay who was unplaced with Plain View must secure two more wins before he is entitled to have his name in black letters on the Telegraph Board.

## INDOOR GAMES NIGHT

### R. A. S. C. HOLD FUNCTION

#### SUCCESS ATTENDS TOURNAMENTS

An enjoyable evening was spent when the Royal Army Service Corps held an indoor games tournament at the Recreation Room, "B" Block, Wellington Barracks, on Wednesday.

The Officers attending the tournament were Brigadier H. G. Seth-Smith, Colonel J. H. Morris, Lieut. Colonel A. P. D. Whitaker, Major G. A. Beale-Browne, Major C. W. Richards, Major J. H. Stevens, Captain L. J. Walsh and Lt. W. J. Smith.

Lt. Cpl. Cooper defeated Sergeant Eyecott by the odd frame in three to win the final of the snooker competition in the "A" Division, and Sergeant Butters defeated Sergeant Spanton by the odd frame in three to win the final of the "B" Division. Pte. Land defeated Lt. Cpl. Collinson by 55 points to win the final of the billiards competition in the "A" Division, the final of the "B" Division being postponed owing to one of the finalists being in hospital. The darts competition was won by Dvr. Saunders who defeated Lt. Cpl. Collinson by two games to one.

An eight handed snooker match between the Officers and Senior N. C. O's, which was won by the latter, brought the evening's entertainment to a close. The officers were represented by Brigadier Seth-Smith, Colonel Morris, Major Richards and Captain Walsh, and the N. C. O's by G. Summers, V. Mound, S. Hendland and Eyecott. Lt. Colonel Whitaker, Officer commanding the Royal Army Service Corps, emphasised the popularity of the games, and congratulated the organising committee, Captain Walsh, C. S. Munnings and G. Q.

## DR. ALEKHINE LEADS

### BY FIVE MATCHES TO TWO

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Amsterdam, Oct. 24.  
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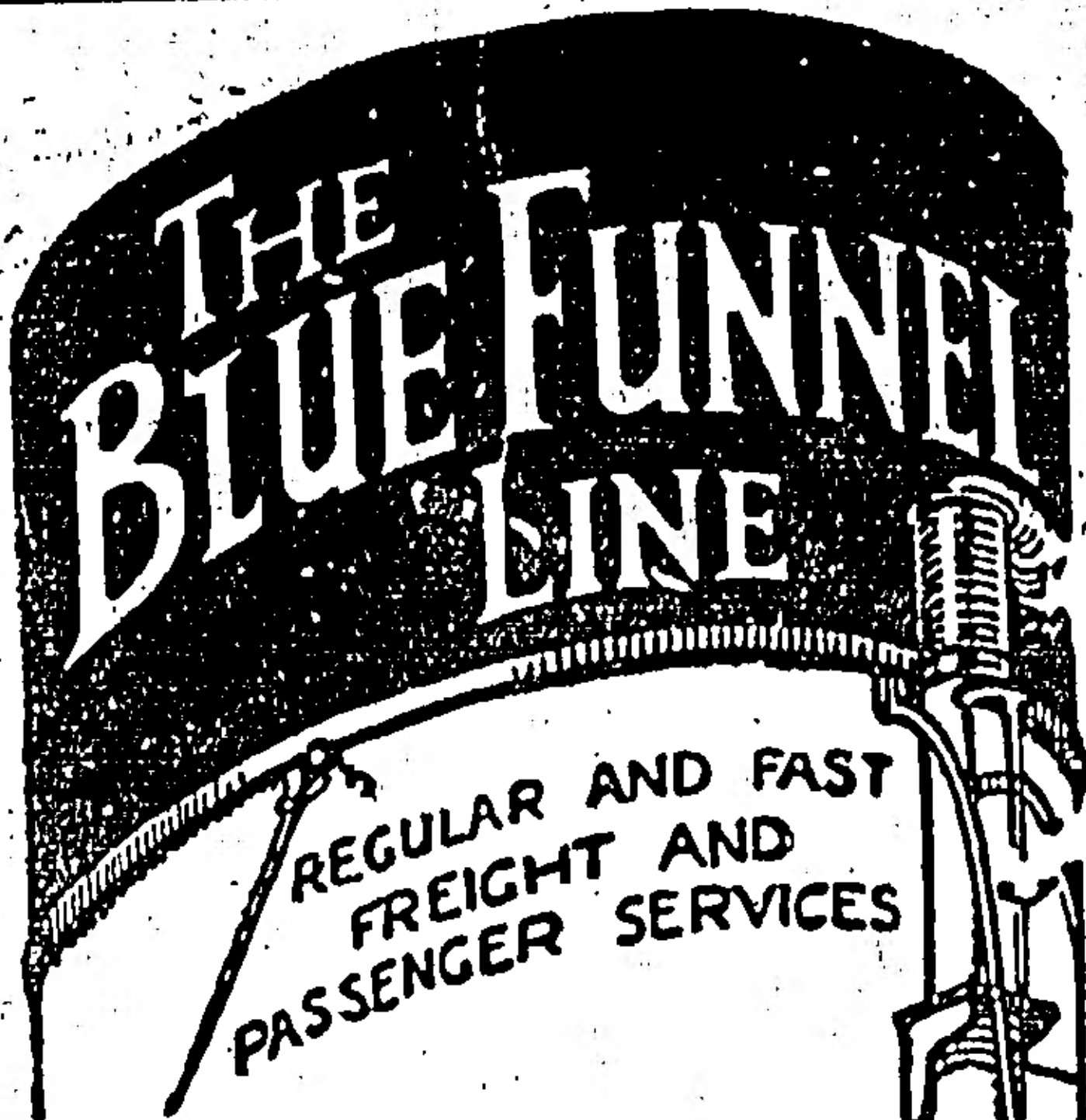
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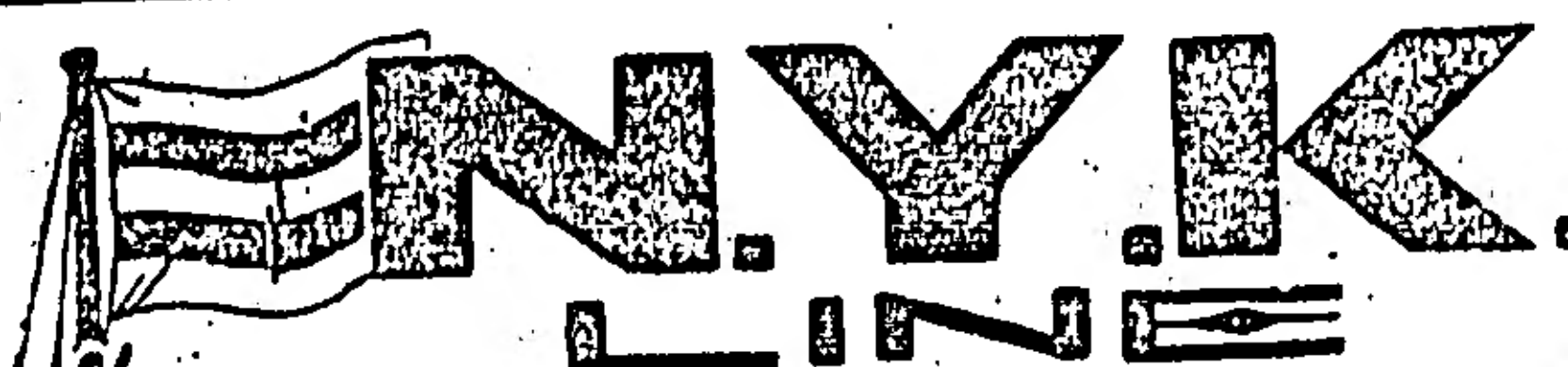
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#### SERIAL STORY—

### DONNA THE BIG TOP

by BEULAH POYNTER

#### BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

DONNA GABRIEL and MADLINE SID. DALL, who call themselves "The Gabriel Sisters" are temperance performers who in circus. When Madline's grandfather who is blind asks her to spend a week-end at his farm she persuades Donna to go instead. CON DAVID, animal trainer, is devoted to Donna but she regards him merely as a friend. Madline loves Con and schemes to win him.

Donna falls from the trepasse and is injured. Madline writes Bill to come for her and begs Donna to continue the impersonation. Bill takes Donna to the farm to recuperate. MRS. PLANTING, the housekeeper, is suspicious of the girl.

Donna grows stronger and soon is able to get about in a wheel chair.

#### CHAPTER XI

Ned Trafford was surly and belligerent. Irritable without provocation. Twice Renfro had caught him under the influence of liquor and threatened him with a "notice." But over caught him drinking again. But Trafford avoided Madeline and, as the days sped by, his fear of him lessened and he gradually died.

She concluded the canvassman was more afraid of what she might say or do than she was afraid of him. Nevertheless Madeline remained convinced that Trafford had been respectable for Donna's fall and she told Con David this. The result was that Con hated Trafford with a deadly, silent hatred that made him careless and bitter and even cruel to the snarling beasts that helped him earn his living.

Renfro had watched Madeline performing on the trepasse alone and, since business was bad and there was a prospect of Donna's return, he had decided to let Madeline remain in the show as a "single." One Gabriel sister did not make a feature act, but the cut in salary helped a little.

Madeline knew Con's interest in her was due to the fact that he could get news of Donna through her, but his very indifference only spurred Madeline's determination to win him.

In every conceivable manner she contrived to keep him near her. She made garbishes or sandwiches and invited Con into her stateroom to share them with her, though she knew Renfro would "read the riot act" if he heard of it.

During every performance she watched the animal trainer put his "cats" through their paces and she never failed to compliment him on his daring when he left the arena, his white silk shirt clinging to his body and beads of perspiration about his white lips.

"There isn't an act in the world that can equal it, Con," she would exclaim ecstatically. "I simply marvel at you! I could watch you all day, even though my teeth chatter with fright for you."

She hovered over him like a mother, watching for a loose button or a dangling bit of braid on his coat. As if it were her duty to perform such tasks, she demanded that he hand the garments over to her to mend.

When the tiger, a gorgeously beautiful Bengal, gave Con a vicious scratch on the wrist Madeline changed the dressing on the wound daily for a week, although Con insisted the injury was nothing.

He was flattered by these attentions. The sting of Donna's repulsion still rankled, though he loved her with all the fervour of his Latin temperament. Con was perfectly aware of Madeline's love for him, as was every one else in the circus. He accepted it as homage due his position as the star performer of the troupe.

Now and then he invited her to dinner at a hotel or restaurant as a change from the fare in the mess tent. Madeline always made the most of these occasions, combing her hair as Donna had worn her dress-

ing as nearly as possible like Donna and aping her mannerisms until the man was a little bewildered. He wondered why, when the two girls were so alike, he should love one and not the other.

A month went by, then six weeks. The heat became intense. Under the tents the air was heavy, almost intolerable. The poor animals, forced to stay in small quarters, suffered and snarled and roared and spit. The staterooms in the Pullman cars were stifling. Electric fans merely stirred the fetid, stifling air.

Under the glare of a thousand blazing lights the performers tried to concentrate on their numbers, to forget their discomfort and put forth their best efforts, but the acts moved slowly and without pep. A grizzly bear sickened and died. Renfro tore his hair and yelled that there was a flux on the show and they might as well close.

His wife, who had heard the same wall many times, for once listened to him. Then she said, "Well, why don't you stop beefing and get rid of the jinx?"

"I wish to God I could! If you can tell me who it is I'll fire him quick enough."

"It's not a 'him.' It's that Madeline Gabriel."

"Oh, you've got it in for Madeline because she's alone. She's all right. Maybe she is, but she's a terrible-maker. Look at the way she's trailing Con! Look how she strung along Ned Trafford!"

"What?"

"I'm not a gossip, but I'm not as blind as you are and I'd be glad to see Madeline go. It's not because she's a 'single' but because she's no good."

"I thought that, I'd fire her quick as shooting. She was darned decent about going on with the act alone and—shucks, are you sure she and Trafford?"

"Why do you suppose he's gone to pieces the way he has? He was crazy about Madeline but he knew enough to keep his distance if she hadn't led him on. If you don't believe me, ask anyone in the show. And watch her with Con!"

"I've seen them together but—I'll look into this!"

Fortunately for Madeline, this conversation took place after an afternoon performance while she and Con were sitting at a table in a Chinese restaurant some distance from the lot. Madeline had received a letter that day written by Donna herself, the first letter she had written since the accident. Madeline produced it proudly and waved it before Con's eyes.

"Why the heck does she address you as Donna?" he demanded, his face darkening as it always did when the other girl's name was mentioned.

"That's a long story, I feel like I'll tell you some day when I'm doing confessing. Wouldn't you like to read what she has to say?"

"No. May be she'll write to me now."

Madeline frowned. She studied the inland pearl of the table before her and her quick wit began to dance.

"No, Con," she said slowly, "I don't believe she will. I don't think you'll ever see Donna again."

"What makes you say that? She's coming back to the show, isn't she?"

"No, she isn't."

"You mean the injury was worse than we thought?"

"No. She—oh, Con, darling, I hate to tell you! I know how you love Donna and I know how terribly this will hurt you. But you know you never had a chance with her, didn't you? You knew that, while she was fond of you and always liked you, she wouldn't ever think of marrying you. You'll just have to square your shoulders and—"

"Cut out the sob stuff!" he broke in harshly. "Spill it!"

"She's going to be married." "To the cousin?" "He's my cousin, not hers. Yes, they're going to be married!" Con sat motionless, his face slowly growing whiter and whiter. His hands gripped the arms of his chair and the knuckles stood out in ridges. Then he laughed. "Well, that's that! What do we eat—chow suey or chow mein?"

"You mean you don't care?" Madeline cried hysterically. "You really don't care?" "No woman is going to ruin my appetite," Con answered.

But Madeline, trembling over the success of her falsehood, noticed that his food left the table untouched. She suggested that they return to the circus lot before it was really necessary to do so. She had scored a triumph, but if Con should write to Donna to confirm her statement, the situation might not be so rosy. A long walk in a shadowy lane was more conducive to sentiment than a warm Chinese restaurant.

Renfro was waiting for them at the dressing tent. "Come over here, Madeline," he said. "I want to talk to you."

The ever-present fear of receiving a two-weeks' notice gripped the girl. She looked appealingly toward Con. "What's the matter, Chief?" the animal trainer asked. "You don't object to Madeline stepping out with me once in a while, do you?"

"Not exactly. But she's the only girl alone in this show and she has to watch where she steps. I've been thinking it over. It's a responsibility—they're talking. I think you're a swell kid, Madeline, but hell! I broke the rule never to have single girls in the show when I kept you on. It's too much trouble and I believe—"

"Who's been talking?" Con demanded.

"Er—everyone. You and Madeline are pretty thick. Then—"

"Why shouldn't we be?" "Hush, Con!" Madeline interrupted with a wan smile. "If I'm not wanted, I'll go. I thought when I did everything I could after poor Donna was hurt it would be appreciated, but I guess it wasn't."

"Sure I appreciate what you've done, Madeline, but—oh, if you were older and maybe a little more straight-laced—"

"Listen here," Con caught the other man's coat sleeve. "You mean they're talking about Madeline and me? Well, go tell the lousy gossips we're going to be married."

"Con!"

"And if that doesn't suit them you can get a new animal act—and pronto!"

"Keep your shirt on, Con," Renfro ejaculated. "If you and Madeline are engaged and all this is on the level we'll be tickled pink. No one thought either of you were serious, that's all. And you know a girl—"

"Yes, I know. It makes me sick the way nosy-bodies meddle with every one else's business. I thought you had more sense. I've a notion to leave your show anyway—and—"

"Now, now, Con!" the manager soothed. "I've got to tell Mom the news. Gosh, she'll be surprised."

As Renfro disappeared into the dressing tent Madeline whirled upon Con.

"Did you mean that? Or did you just say it to save my job?"

"Why shouldn't I mean it? If you'll have me, knowing I don't love you and probably never will, we might make a go of marriage. I swear, I'll always be on the level with you."

"Oh, Con," Madeline cried, nestling against the arm that hung limply at his side. "I love you so much I'd put me right into your cage of cats."

He looked at her, half-startled. "That's an idea! That's an idea. I'll make you part of my act!"

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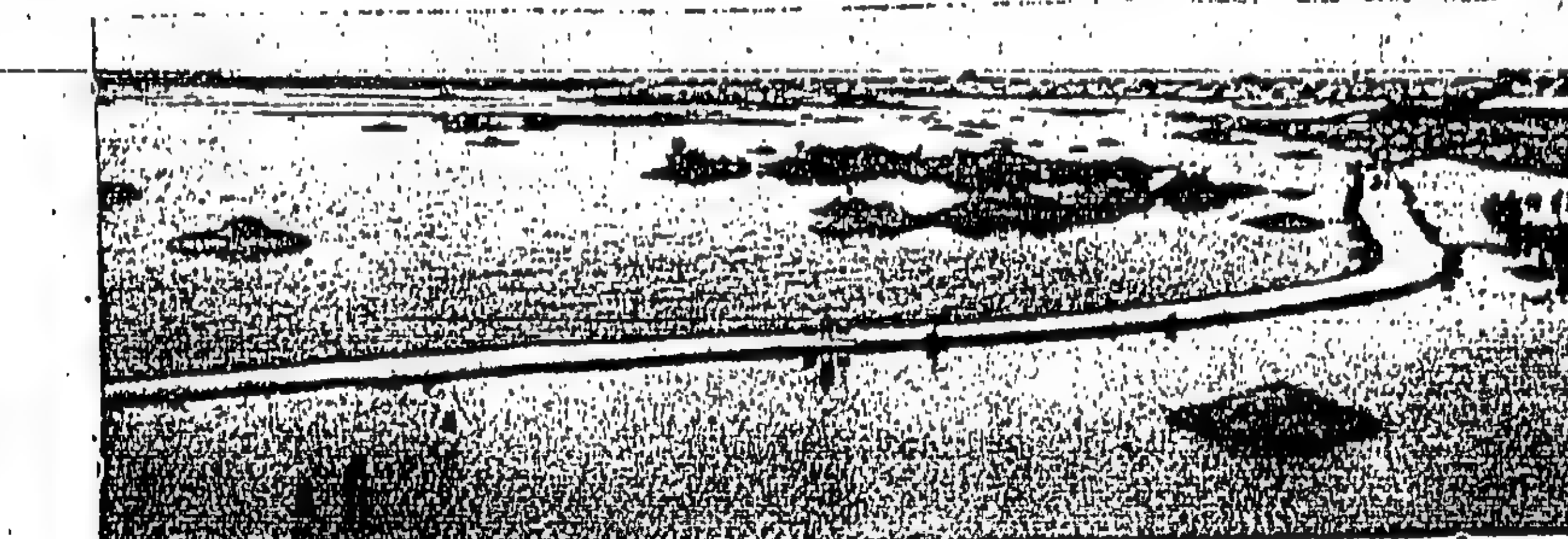
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Miss Prunella Stack, head of the Women's Health and Beauty League of Great Britain, recently arrived at Toronto in order to establish branches of her organization in Canada. A Hongkong branch will be established early next month.



The above picture from Panpu gives some of the extensive nature of the flooding in Northern Kiangsu. In the picture, taken from Panpu, where the city wall is saving further serious inundation, the flood waters can be seen extending to the foot of the Haichow mountains.

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 The interim report of tramp shipping by the Administrative Committee on Assistance to British Shipping recalls the various measures of co-operation introduced during the first six months of this year as part of a measure of organization of industry required of the tramp shipping industry in order to qualify for a grant of a subsidy of £2,000,000 for the present year.  
 The report says the subsidy act has undoubtedly saved the British tramp shipping industry from collapse. It has prevented the abnormal transference of large blocks of British tonnage to foreign flags and has increased the employment of British ships and British crews. It has enabled the industry to organize itself to minimize domestic competition and to establish co-operation through minimum freight schemes between different sections and individual owners, both nationally and internationally. It has enabled the

## CINEMA NEWS

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audience sympathy. He is good, too, in the lighter side of the picture as well as in a romance with Margaret Lindsay who portrays the role of the sister of Cagney's boss, a part played by Robert Armstrong.  
 "Casino de Paris"  
 Unless the Hollywood experts are wrong, there's a new dance step about to sweep the country. It's called the "Tangotango," pronounced tang-otham, with the accent on the first syllable. The dance comes rightfully by its name, for it is introduced to the public to the accompaniment of the Warner and Dubin song "A Latin from Manhattan" in the Bob Connelly dance ensemble which appear in the First National Production "Casino de Paris" opening to-day at the Queen's Theatre. Connelly created a dance which is based on a triple combination of the tango, the rumba and the mambo, but there's more to it than just that. It has a smattering of waltz, a touch of one-step and a bit of fox-trot. Primarily intended for exhibition purposes, it nevertheless lends itself perfectly to ballroom adaptation, and those who have seen it predict it will be taken up and become a vogue. Al Jolson and Ruby Keeler, his wife, are starred together for the first time. Others in the cast of this mammoth musical include Glenda Farrell, Helen Morgan, Barton MacLane, Phil Regan, Benny Rubin and Gordon Westcott. "Casino de Paris" is from the screen play by Earl Baldwin.

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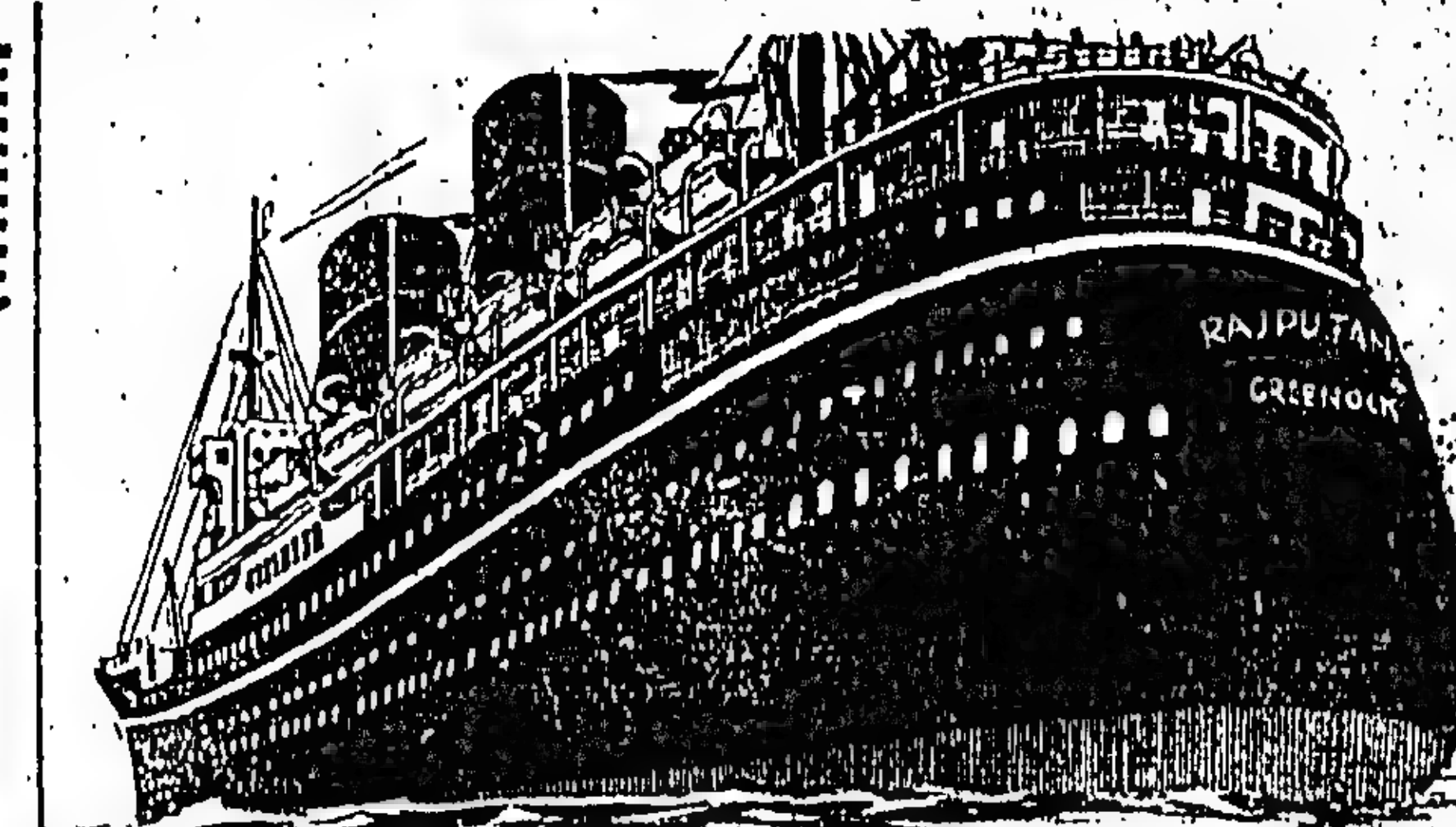
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The main business of the meeting was the election of officers and the adoption of reports. Mr. W. L. Handyside presented the report and also, in the absence through indisposition of Mr. W. J. Dyer, the accounts. He said: The income for the financial year ending on September 16, was \$1166.00 and the expenditure (including a vote of £20 to the Library and the cost of two issues of the Journal) was \$831.45 showing excess of income over expenditure of \$324.55. The Balance Sheet shows a Credit Balance of \$1335.85.

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Mr. L. G. Morgan resigned as Hon. Treasurer in June. Mr. W. J. Dyer was co-opted by the Council and invited to act as Hon. Treasurer until the next Annual General Meeting. The office bearers retire but are eligible for re-election. The following members of Council retire but are eligible for re-election: Messdames Cotton, Newsham, Sawyer, Silcocks, Bro. Matthias, Rev. Mr. Martin, Messrs. Beddow, Noble, and de Rome.

The Council desires to express its thanks to the following: The Vice-Chancellor, The University and the Heads of Schools for granting facilities for meetings; the Manager, South China Morning Post for the use of the Board Room, all contributors to the Journal and all lecturers; Messrs. F. J. de Rome, and L. B. Holmes for auditing the accounts.

The Chairman said: We can look back on the past year with gratitude, especially to those who have helped to make it most successful. The work of this Society will always depend most on its sections, with the opportunities they give for the interchange of ideas, discussions and fruitful work. We are very grateful to our secretary for the enthusiasm which he has brought to his work (applause). It is something in a place, where the climate is so de-vitalising as in Hongkong to have such enthusiasm, and it is important to keep one's mind keen on such things as education.

Here, where there is a kind of deadness and where things fluctuate and come and go, there is inclined to be an atmosphere of frustration, and it is important to keep alive and going. I preserve one article and principle of faith still unimpaired, and I accept it as a principle that is growing stronger. That is, that education is the most vital process in social life and in raising the status of a community, especially in the training of mind, body and spirit. I share that belief with many eminent people and we want to see it applied in this colony.

## Two Decades Late

Since our last Annual Meeting we have had a visit from a representative from the Government in England, Mr. Burney who has made a report on education here. That report is a very good one and my only criticism is that it should have been produced 20 years ago, as it well could have been.

The report gives us a policy of education which we have not had in the past. Our education has been on the lines of producing people wanted as a type such as the clerk. I do not say that this type is a low one or that it is not a good type, but it has been a specialised aim. We have also had a demand for apprentices for ship yards. That is also good. But now for the first time we have a policy which looks at education from the beginning and from the end. For the first time primary education is considered seriously. The criticism has been made that the age at which students take their leaving certificates is too high. That has been because the primary stage has never been efficient. At the age of 12 the average European boy has had four or five years of effective education, but we cannot say the same of the boys of this Colony. Until that is put right we shall have to put up with a present leaving certificate age. Wherever you look, at Fascism, Nazism, Communism, or at America, you will always meet the desire for expansion of education and extension of the age of education. Where years ago \$125,000 was spent on education in England \$85,000,000 is spent today. That is merely an indication

## OBITUARY

## FINANCIAL MAGNATE AND MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT

London, Oct. 21.  
The death occurred last night of Sir John Pybus M.P. formerly Minister of Transport, aged 65.—*British Wireless.*

Percy John Pybus, engineer, authority on transport and politician, was born in Jan. 1880, at Hull, his father having been an alderman of that city. After being trained as an electrical engineer he went on to the business side of engineering and other enterprises, showing a great capacity for hard work and a ready grasp of both commercial and technical problems. Eventually he became chairman of the Power and Traction Finance Co. vice-chairman of the Phoenix Assurance Co. and a director of the English Electric Co., the Associated Portland Cement Co. and the "Times" Publishing Co.

During the world-war his knowledge of business and the technical side of transport proved very valuable and he served on various committees, receiving in 1917 the C.B.E. He was a member of the Royal Commission on the Civil Service, the Advisory Committee of the Dept. of Overseas Trade, the Balfour Committee on Industry and Trade and the Unemployment Grants Committee.

A Liberal in politics, he was a candidate for the Shipley Division of Yorkshire in Dec. 1923, and Oct. 1924, but was defeated on both occasions. In May, 1929, however, he was elected for the Harwich Division of Essex. When in Aug. 1931, the split occurred in the MacDonald Labour government over the country's financial crisis and led to the formation of the National Government, Pybus was appointed Minister of Transport.

At that time he was in New York. Returning to England by the first boat, he resigned all his directorships before taking up his duties. At the elections in October he was returned by Harwich as a Liberal Nationalist and resumed his post as Minister of Transport which he held till 1933.

Pybus often wrote articles for newspapers on social and labour subjects.

## CANTON TELEPHONES

## SHANGHAI SERVICE OPENS ON JANUARY 1

The long distance radio telephone between Shanghai and Canton will be open for public service on January 1, according to a statement made by Mr. Tang Chung-yu, the Canton director supervising the construction of this telephone. Mr. Tang returned to Canton from Shanghai only recently after an inspection of the construction of the Shanghai terminus.

Mr. Tang told press representatives that the building of the telephone station in Shanghai was completed some time ago, while the Canton station was expected to be completed within this month.

Referring to the Canton-Kongmoon long distance radio telephone Mr. Tang said that the \$400,000 machinery is to arrive in Canton from America in six weeks' time. The service will connect Kongmoon, Shek-kei (near Macao) and Canton.

He also said that the new broadcasting station in Canton which will be heard in Europe will be ready for use about August 1936.

of what is taking place all over the world.

## Sharing Knowledge

There is a demand everywhere for justice and for a more equal distribution for material wealth, but there is an even stronger demand for the more even distribution of intellectual wealth. That is our job and that is why we are here. The great danger here is a loss of faith in one's profession. But everything one reads of the rest of the world makes one increasingly convinced of the importance of this work. It is the regenerating factor of the world today. This report, which has been received and which commends this association, is something for which we should be grateful, and, if it is applied, the future for this Colony and its teachers is brighter and better than it has ever been in the past (Applause).

The Rev. Father Byrne proposed a vote of thanks to the Secretary which was heartily responded to by those present.

The following officials were elected: President: Prof. L. Forster; Vice-Presidents: Miss Sawyer (Diocesan Girls), Miss Hughes (Bellios), Rev. A. W. Martin (St. Stephens), Bro. Aimar (La Salle), Hon. Sec. Mr. L. G. Morgan; Hon. Treas. Mr. W. J. Dyer; Council: Miss Griffin, Miss Woo, Rev. Fr. K. Leung, Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, Mr. E. C. Thomas, Miss Cotton, Rev. Gallagher, S.J., Mr. A. G. P. Prew, Bro. Xavier, Miss Hutchinson, Rev. E. Short, Miss B. M. Pope, Mr. G. W. Reeve, Mother Louise, Mr. E. G. Stewart.

Conveners elected were: Mr. Thomas, Miss Cotton, Mr. Luard, Miss Hall, Mr. L. B. Holmes and Mr. Leung Ping-hin.

## LITTLE GIRL'S PLIGHT

## SEVERELY THRASHED BY HER MISTRESS

Pleading guilty through her solicitor, Mr. M. A. da Silva, to a charge of assaulting a girl, Fan Lin-tai, alias Sum Fong, aged 12 years, Lai Yee, 40, married woman, was fined \$50 by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday afternoon.

"I want to go back to the Po Leung Kuk and not to the defendant," stated the little girl in Court.

Sub-Inspector T. O'Connor, Inspector of Mul-Tai, for the prosecution, remarked that the girl had expressed a wish to remain at the Po Leung Kuk as the food and treatment were better, compared with the defendant's home.

Sub-Inspector O'Connor stated that the child was beaten very severely between October 7 and 17. On the latter date an anonymous letter was received by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs as a result of which Lady Inspector Wei Mo-fung went to the defendant's address in Shamshui district. She found the girl in a very dirty condition carrying a baby on her back. The defendant was questioned as to what the girl was doing and she produced a *lai sin* which proved that the girl was a *pro tei* (young girl sold for marriage). The defendant and the girl were taken to the S. C. A. office, which was the usual practice in cases of this nature. The girl was examined by the Lady Inspector and found to have various bruises which his Worship saw last Saturday. On the instructions of the S. C. A. the defendant was taken to Mongkok Tsui Police Station and charged, while the girl was sent for medical examination.

Dr. C. H. Luk, of the Kowloon Hospital, stated the bruises must have been inflicted within ten days of his examination on October 18.

Sub-Inspector O'Connor stated that they had found the girl had been beaten on other occasions, but the defendant was justified and it was not until between October 7 and 17 that she meted out severe beatings.

## Said to be Stubborn

Mr. Silva stated the girl had been with the defendant for four years, and had been chastised as she was extremely stubborn and obstinate. Prior to October 7, the defendant went to the country for a week and gave instructions to the child to keep the house clean. On her return she found the house in as bad a condition, if not worse than before. She told the girl to clean the place within two days, but she flatly refused. Defendant chastised her, but even after this the girl still refused and was beaten a second time.

Mr. Silva added that it was admitted the thrashings were excessive, but it was only through the defendant losing her temper owing to the girl's stubbornness and obstinacy. The defendant had offered to take the girl back and to enter into a bond whereby she would present herself and the girl once a month before the Society for the Protection of Children, failing which she would forfeit her bond. Defendant's husband worked in the Kowloon Docks as a contractor.

## Refused to Return

Sub-Inspector O'Connor remarked that the girl had flatly refused to go back to the defendant, and he was afraid if she were made to return she would not stop there. She was being cared for at the Po Leung Kuk and would later go into the Victoria Home or the Salvation Army Home. The defendant had paid \$84 for the girl.

The Magistrate: The girl got a severe thrashing and she was in a very bad mess when I saw her. She looks much better to-day. I should like to think of a child of mine in the state she was. I have used a cane on my small son; but there is a limit and I think it is my duty to assess that limit. Fined fifty dollars.

## SHANTUNG FLOOD

## DISASTER OF IMMENSE MAGNITUDE

Shanghai, Oct. 24.  
Three thousand square miles of Shantung and northern Kiangsu, a territory containing a population of 5,000,000 people has been inundated by the Yellow River, under conditions which will cause the inhabitants to lose three successive crops according to the report submitted to the National Economic Council by the Hydraulic Engineering Bureau.

The engineers estimate that ten months are required for the work of closing the breaks in the dykes and draining off of the water, and, therefore there is no hope of stable crops next year.

The present autumn crop has gone and there will be no crop next spring, and there will be no crop next autumn.

The Chinese authorities, it is understood, are throwing all available resources into the fight as they realize that they are faced with a disaster of almost incredible magnitude.—*Reuter.*

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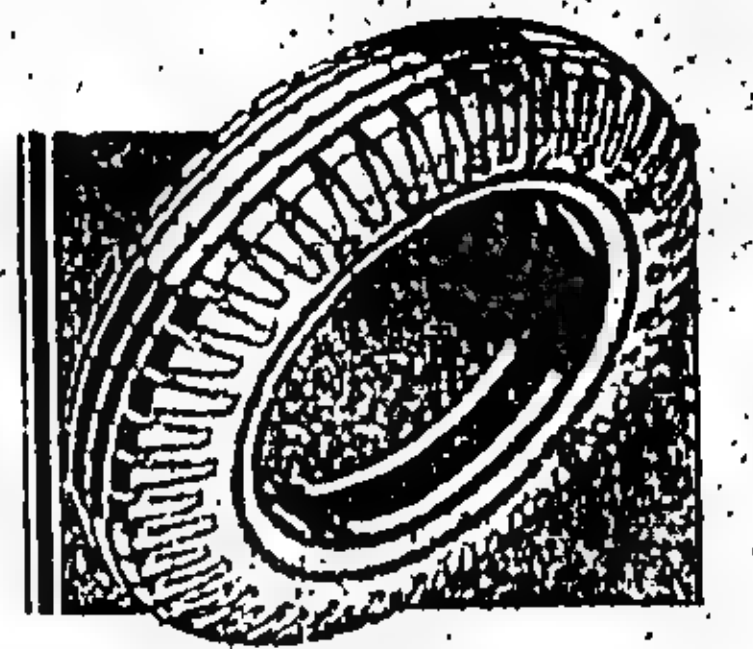
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## BRITAIN MUST COMMAND MEDITERRANEAN

### LEAGUE FIGHTS FOR LIFE

### CHURCHILL SOUNDS WARNING

### EMPIRE FULLY BACKS GENEVA COVENANT

London, Oct. 24.

Mr. Winston Churchill declared that Great Britain must secure lasting command of the Mediterranean in the interests of peace and her own security, when he addressed the House of Commons on the resumption of the Foreign Affairs debate to-day.

First he drew attention to the rapidity of the German rearmament. The incredible figure of £800,000,000 was being spent directly or indirectly in military preparations.

The re-entry of Germany into European circles, as a major power, was the most precious purpose for which the British Government could strive, he asserted.

He was certain, he said, that the British Empire would never fight another war contrary to the League of Nations Covenant. Therefore, if the Empire were called upon to defend itself its cause and the League's cause would be one.

The League is alive, he declared, and fighting for its life, and for the lives of all. No one could ever pretend that with-  
out the United States the League  
supreme, however.

to sanctions, he said  
the system as that at pre-  
sented put into operation had  
before in the history of the  
world been aimed against a single  
state.

"We are confronted with a  
memorable event," he said.

But still more remarkable was  
Signor Mussolini's submission to  
the invidious sanctions and his  
preservation of his contact with  
the League. That was a sign of  
Mussolini's commanding  
mind; it was one of the strongest  
things he had done, Mr. Churchill  
believed.

#### MUST RETAIN CONTROL

Mr. Churchill drew a moral  
from the present state of affairs  
in Europe.

"We must without delay provide  
for securing lasting command of  
the Mediterranean Sea," he de-  
clared. Cheers greeted his asser-  
tion.

He expressed his sympathy with  
the Ethiopians, who were fighting  
for their freedom. He said mat-  
ters could not be mended by com-  
promise or bargain, but nobody  
could maintain the presence that  
Ethiopia should sit as an equal  
with civilised nations. Ethiopia  
must be made to put her house in  
order.

#### WHAT OF SANCTIONS

With regard to the contention  
that economic sanctions would not  
embarrass Signor Mussolini, Mr.  
Churchill said that all depended  
upon the length of time they were  
maintained. Possibly a year  
hence the Italian army of 250,000  
men might be far into Ethiopia,  
wasting away from disease and  
guerrilla warfare. Italy might be  
bleeding at every pore, her prices  
rising and her credit gone.

He concluded, that despite the  
difficulties and dangers in the  
present dispute, the case for per-  
severance held the field.

He was roundly cheered.—  
Reuter.

#### GREAT ENTHUSIASM

London, Oct. 24.  
Mr. Winston Churchill brought  
the House of Commons to its feet  
wildly cheering to-day when he  
uttered a stirring plea on behalf  
of the League of Nations, which  
was faced with the threatening  
Ethiopian crisis but was backed  
by British warships.

Not frequently in recent history  
has the House of Commons been  
(Continued on Page 4.)

### CHARGES ANSWERED BY SIMON

#### AMAZING STORIES OF INTRIGUE

### "NO TRUTH IN ACCUSATIONS"

London, Oct. 24.

The debate in the House of Com-  
mons on Foreign Affairs concluded  
without a vote to-day after Sir  
John Simon, Home Secretary, had  
spoken mostly of Britain's domes-  
tic achievements under the  
National Government.

He referred, among other things,  
to the falling off of British coal  
exports to Italy which, he said,  
were not due to sanctions but to  
the fact that the Italians had ex-  
hausted their credit with the ex-  
ports.

Sir John, former Foreign Min-  
ister, made only one reference to  
foreign affairs. This was his  
allusion to the "amazing state-  
ments" issued in certain quarters  
this morning that some intrigue  
was afoot in London, Rome and  
Paris, to prevent League fail ac-  
complish which was detrimental  
to the interests of one of the parties  
to the Italo-Ethiopian dispute and  
inconsistent with the principles  
of the League.

"There is no truth in this wild  
accusation," he declared. "We  
are neither going behind the back  
of the League nor have we for one  
moment considered doing so."

"Equally, we have no intention  
of wavering in our collective  
obligations under the Covenant.  
We hope there may be a speedy  
and satisfactory conclusion, but it  
must be within the frame-work of  
the League of Nations and accept-  
ed by Italy, Ethiopia and the  
League itself."—Reuter.

### AFRICA LEADS THE WAY

#### APPLYING LEAGUE'S FULL SANCTIONS

Geneva, Oct. 24.

South Africa is the first state  
to inform the League of Nations  
that she is applying all the sanc-  
tions and proposals voted against  
Italy.—Reuter.

### SPEEDING TOWARDS HONGKONG

#### IMPERIAL AIRWAYS TEST FLIGHT

#### COMING FROM SINGAPORE

The Imperial Airways plane,  
Dorado, piloted by Captain W.  
Armstrong, is speeding towards  
Hongkong on the first of the  
experimental flights from Penang  
under service conditions. She is  
due in Hongkong shortly after  
4.30 p.m. to-day, expecting to  
complete the trip in twelve hours.

The plane left Penang at 4.30  
a.m. to-day and arrived at Saigon  
at 8.30. Staying there for three-  
quarters of an hour, the plane  
then took off for Tourane, which  
was reached at 11.40 a.m.

After a forty minutes' stay at  
Tourane, the machine took off on  
the last stage of its hop at 12.20  
p.m., bound for Hongkong.

Assuming arrival in Hongkong  
on scheduled time, the plane will  
have made the flight from Penang  
in 10 hours and 35 minutes' actual  
flying time.

### Big Interests Amalgamate

#### CONSOLIDATION OF COMPANIES

(Special to "Telegraph")

New York, Oct. 24.  
Directors of the United Founders  
Company, the American Founders  
Co., and six of their subsidiary  
investment companies voted to-day  
to consolidate into a new organiza-  
tion to be known as the American  
General Corporation, capitalised  
with 500,000 preferred shares and  
5,000,000 common shares, of which  
there will be blocks outstanding  
after consolidation, as follows:  
8,530 of preferred stock at \$3;  
25,314 of preferred stock at  
\$2.50;  
202,041 of preferred stock at  
\$2;

1,747,914 of common shares.  
The American General Corpora-  
tion would assume the outstanding  
debentures of the present units,  
which aside from those mentioned  
above include the International  
Company, the Second International

### 5,000,000 MEN FIND NEW JOBS

#### AMERICA PULLING OUT OF SLUMP

#### ROOSEVELT'S FIGURES

Washington, Oct. 24.  
Employment statistics for the  
month of September showed that 350,000 had  
returned to private employment for  
that month alone, it was announced.

#### REVOLT IN CRETE

#### Troops Rushed Out From Greece

(Special to "Telegraph")

Athens, Oct. 25.  
A revolution has broken  
out in Crete.

Troops have been  
despatched from the main-  
land to deal with the insur-  
gents, but the situation is  
shrouded in secrecy by the  
censorship.

Crete, it is recalled, was  
the scene of the most stub-  
born fighting when the  
Liberal supporters of the  
banished and hunted M.  
Venizelos rose during the  
summer. Whether the pre-  
sent uprising is an aftermath  
of that fiasco it is at pre-  
sent impossible to ascertain.  
—United Press.

to-day by President Roosevelt in a  
nation-wide broadcast.

He was speaking on behalf of a  
campaign of private relief work  
funds.

He added that, with this Septem-  
ber figure, nearly 5,000,000 men  
had found employment in private  
industry since the low point of  
the depression in March, 1933, and  
that employment was now back to  
the level of November, 1930.—  
Reuter.

Securities Company, the American  
General Securities Company, the  
American Continental Corporation  
and the Reliance Company.—  
Reuter Special.

### NAVAL PARLEY CALLED

#### TREATY SIGNATORIES ALL INVITED

#### DOMINIONS TO PARTICIPATE

London, Oct. 24.  
The Government has despatched  
invitations to signatories of the  
London and Washington naval  
treaties to attend the Naval Con-  
ference in London on December 2.

The British Dominions are in  
the invitation, as being among the  
signatories, and the High Com-  
missioners in London have accord-  
ingly been informed of the pro-  
posal to summon the Conference.

It is anticipated that the Am-  
bassadors of the great naval  
Powers will have their respective  
delegations assisted by naval ex-  
perts: France, Italy and Japan  
are being asked whether they will  
participate, and the Government is  
also communicating with the  
Dominions on the subject.

The purpose of the Conference  
will be to secure agreement on as  
many aspects of naval limitation  
as possible, with a view to the  
conclusion of an international  
treaty replacing the two treaties  
which are expiring at the end of  
1936.

It is hoped, once agreement be-  
tween the signatory Powers is in  
sight, to extend the scope of the  
Conference to include other naval  
Powers.—Reuter.

#### AMERICA ACCEPTS

Washington, Oct. 24.  
The United States has accepted  
the invitation to attend the London  
Naval Conference.—United Press.

#### INVITATIONS SENT

London, Oct. 24.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign  
Minister, told the House of Com-  
mons to-day that Britain was  
inviting the United States, Japan,  
France and Italy to a naval con-  
ference on December 2.

The purpose will be to secure  
an agreement of as many naval  
Powers as possible by concluding  
an international treaty to replace  
the two pacts expiring in 1936.

"We are hopeful of extending  
the scope of the conference to  
include, if possible, other naval  
Powers," said the Foreign Minis-  
ter, and it was taken that he re-  
(Continued on Page 4.)

### BRITISH FLEET WON'T MOVE

### WILL REMAIN IN MEDITERRANEAN

### ITALIAN SUBMARINES STILL ACTIVE

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

(By Telegraph. Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance,  
1894. Received Oct. 25, 10.20 a.m.)

Valetta, Oct. 24.

British authorities here to-day indicated that the  
Government would not withdraw fleet units from the  
Mediterranean Sea, in spite of Italy's action in report-  
edly withdrawing certain regiments from the Libya-  
Egypt frontier.

It is pointed out that H.M.S. Hood, and H.M.S.  
Renown, totalling 75,000 tons of steel-clad fighting  
strength, were slated for Mediterranean Sea service  
some time ago, and before Italy commenced to concen-  
trate troops in Libya.

The withdrawal even of an Italian division from  
Libyan soil, therefore, is not expected to alter the situa-  
tion or the British naval policy.

It is also asserted that Italian submarines have  
been reported active in British waters recently.—  
—United Press.

#### ITALY'S CONTRIBUTION

Rome, Oct. 24.

Surprisingly but at the same  
time officially it has been an-  
nounced here that one division of  
Italian troops is returning from  
Libya to Italy.

Britain is not necessarily ex-  
pected to reduce her Mediter-  
ranean Fleet in response.

An official spokesman here said  
that Italy's action should be in-  
terpreted as Italy's contribution to  
the maintenance of European  
peace.—United Press.

#### SYMPATHY WITH ITALY

London, Oct. 24.

In the course of the resumed  
debate on the international situa-  
tion in the House of Lords, the  
Archbishop of Canterbury re-  
pudiated any hostility to Italy, for  
which he cherished the warmest  
feelings. It was necessary to pay  
regard to Italy's needs, but his  
contention was that she should  
have brought her case to the  
League and not taken it into her  
own hands.

The action taken by the League  
was promising. On the first  
occasion on which the signatories  
of the Covenant been called upon  
to uphold it, they had not shrunk  
from the task.—British Wireless.

### CONSUMPTION OF TIN

#### INCREASES WITH PRODUCTION

London, Oct. 24.

The world's apparent consump-  
tion of tin for the first eight  
months of 1935 totalled 90,910  
tons, an increase of 11,692 tons  
compared with the corresponding  
period of last year, according to  
the International Tin Research  
Development Council. The total  
production, on the same basis,  
was 84,920 tons, an increase of  
14,306 tons.

It is revealed that United States  
consumption for the year ended  
August, 1935, increased 11.9 per  
cent. to 54,160 tons, while the  
Russian and Italian consumption  
for the same period reached high  
records at 6,345 and 5,862 tons  
respectively. This represented  
an increase in the case of Russia  
of 20.1 per cent. and, in the case  
of Italy, of 34.4 per cent.—Reuter  
Special.

### NEEDS LONG REST

#### INTERFERENCE BAD FOR BUSINESS

Boston, Oct. 24.

Mr. Charles Gay, president of  
the New York Stock Exchange, ad-  
dressing the Boston Chamber of  
Commerce, said the American  
economic system needs a long rest  
from interference.

Recovery and prosperity are un-  
derway. They can be retarded if  
experiments, interference and regu-  
latory ham-string them at  
every step, he warned.—Reuter  
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### Sir Stafford Cripps On Europe's Crisis

#### WHY HE RESIGNED

SIR Stafford Cripps defined his attitude to the present European situation in a written statement to his constituents, read by his son, Mr. John Cripps, at a Socialist meeting at Bristol recently.

"The League of Nations as a piece of international governmental machinery may be as good as we can get," wrote Sir Stafford, "but when, as to-day, it is used by imperialist powers for imperialist purposes, it does not and cannot merit the workers' support. We must, I am convinced, have no united front with capitalism and imperialism."

"There is only one condition upon which I personally could support armaments and military action, and that is if these were being used by a group of Socialist States to support an international Socialist order against capitalist aggression."

"If, now, we urge the worker to support a capitalist armed imperialist Government, such as our own, merely because the Government pretends to be acting for the benefit of the League, we shall be



The Emperor Haile Selassie's Two White Advisers: General Eric Virgin, of the United States, and Mr. J. Auberson, of Switzerland, seen as they left Addis for Omdurman to inspect the preparations made there for resisting invasion. It is expected that some of the fiercest fighting will take place in this region, as it lies directly in the path of the force under General Graziani. General Virgin, of the Swedish Air Force, is noted for his organising ability. He is sixty.

### Body of Canadian Turning To Stone For Half Century

Edmonton, Oct. 6.  
 At 56 years of age, Thomas McDonnell is slowly turning to stone.  
 Stricken with a mysterious ailment at the age of 2, McDonnell has been helplessly witnessing his body gradually become ossified for nearly half a century.  
 The illness has made all of his limbs useless and he is forced to remain in one position. His body becomes more rigid each year.



SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS

"... sooner or later some bargain will be made with Italy."

misleading them as they were misled in 1914."

"It is because I regard this issue as one of fundamental importance to a Socialist party that I have taken the step of resigning."

#### Working-Class Sanctions

"I find no conviction in the shallow and opportunist argument that we must stop Mussolini at all costs. A far greater thing is at stake than that. The question is—

Shall the workers of Great Britain be inveigled into the support of an imperialist system by specious excuses based on the sham League of Nations now is, or shall they utilise the present golden opportunity to dislodge their own capitalist Government rather than to offer it their support?"

"If the workers desire to exercise their power to stop Italian or any other aggression, they can do so by putting into operation working-class sanctions."

"A refusal by the workers of England to allow any assistance, material or financial, to be given by people in this country would be a very real sanction, and would not put the workers in the power of their capitalist Government."

#### Bargain With Italy

"Sooner or later some bargain will be made with Italy which will lead to the virtual domination of Abyssinia by one or more European Powers, and the next case for so-called sanctions may be Ger-

### Machine-Guns Wanted To Kill Emus

#### OSTRICH-LIKE BIRDS RUIN AUSTRALIAN CROPS

Perth, Oct. 10.  
 WHEAT farmers have asked the Government to send troops or machine-guns to Western Australia to fight the emu.

At a special meeting of the Bonny Rock branch of the Wheatgrowers' Union, it was stated that the position was now, because of the ravages of the emu, much more serious than three years ago, when hundreds of acres of crops were ruined.

Nearly 1,000 emus have been reported, and the farmers are determined to exterminate them before their crops are ruined.

There are several former machine-gunners among the farmers in the district, it is pointed out. All that is needed is a few guns and some ammunition.—*Reuter*.

many, if it suits the imperialism of Great Britain and France, or may not, if it does not suit them.

"The Covenant of the League is invoked when British imperialism desires to invoke it, and callously disregarded when, as in the case of Japan, it is not thought wise or safe to use it."

"I share within our movement the detestation of Fascism and Nazism, and every form of capitalist dictatorship. I am anxious, too, for the preservation of the autonomy of Ethiopia, and the safeguarding of that country from imperialist aggression."

### ELAINE IS LOVELY BUT—

#### BARRYMORE WANTS TO SEE HIS WIFE

Synopsis: John Barrymore, fifty-three-year-old, thrice-married actor, has a "glamorous episode" with nineteen-year-old Elaine Barrie.

While Wife Dolores Costello sues for divorce on grounds of "mental cruelty," Elaine and John quarrel. John boards Hollywood train at New York, is chased by Elaine in aeroplane as far as Kansas City.

He eludes her—pays no heed to her radio appeal to him. She returns, heartbroken, to New York. John journeys on towards Hollywood.

#### TO-DAY'S instalment of this thrilling serial comes as hot news from a correspondent in New York.

Barrymore, after again interrupting his journey by leaving the train at Gallup, New Mexico, declared:—

"I wasn't trying to escape from Miss Barrie in Kansas City. She is a lovely, charming girl whom I admire very much for her ambition and hard-working abilities—but in no other way."

"Now I am going back to Hollywood to see my children, and I expect to continue my domestic relations as in the past—but, of course, that is for Mrs. Barrymore to say."

Then came this surprise: "I do not know whether Miss Barrie will come to Los Angeles, but if she does there is a place for her in my next picture. I will certainly recommend her."

Mrs. Barrymore, speaking in Hollywood, said:—

"I know nothing about this romance with Miss Barrie. I will not see my husband when he comes to Hollywood, but of course he may see the children under proper circumstances."

Elaine Barrie (still in New York) commented: "John knows I will wait. They are just trying to break up our romance. It will all come right in the end."  
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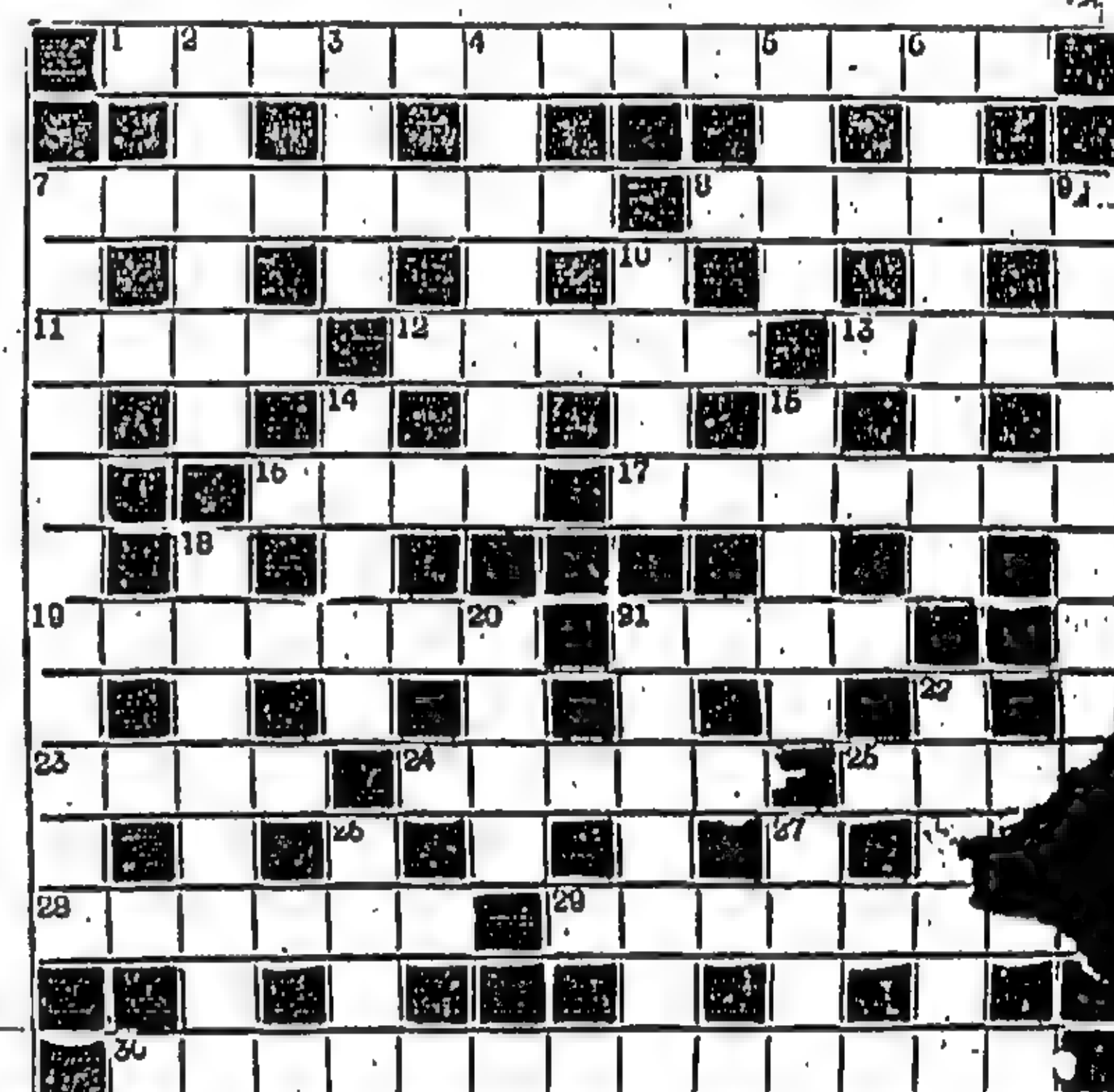
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- Volcano.
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- This bird seems to have a rough time.
- Take your hook—on your yacht.
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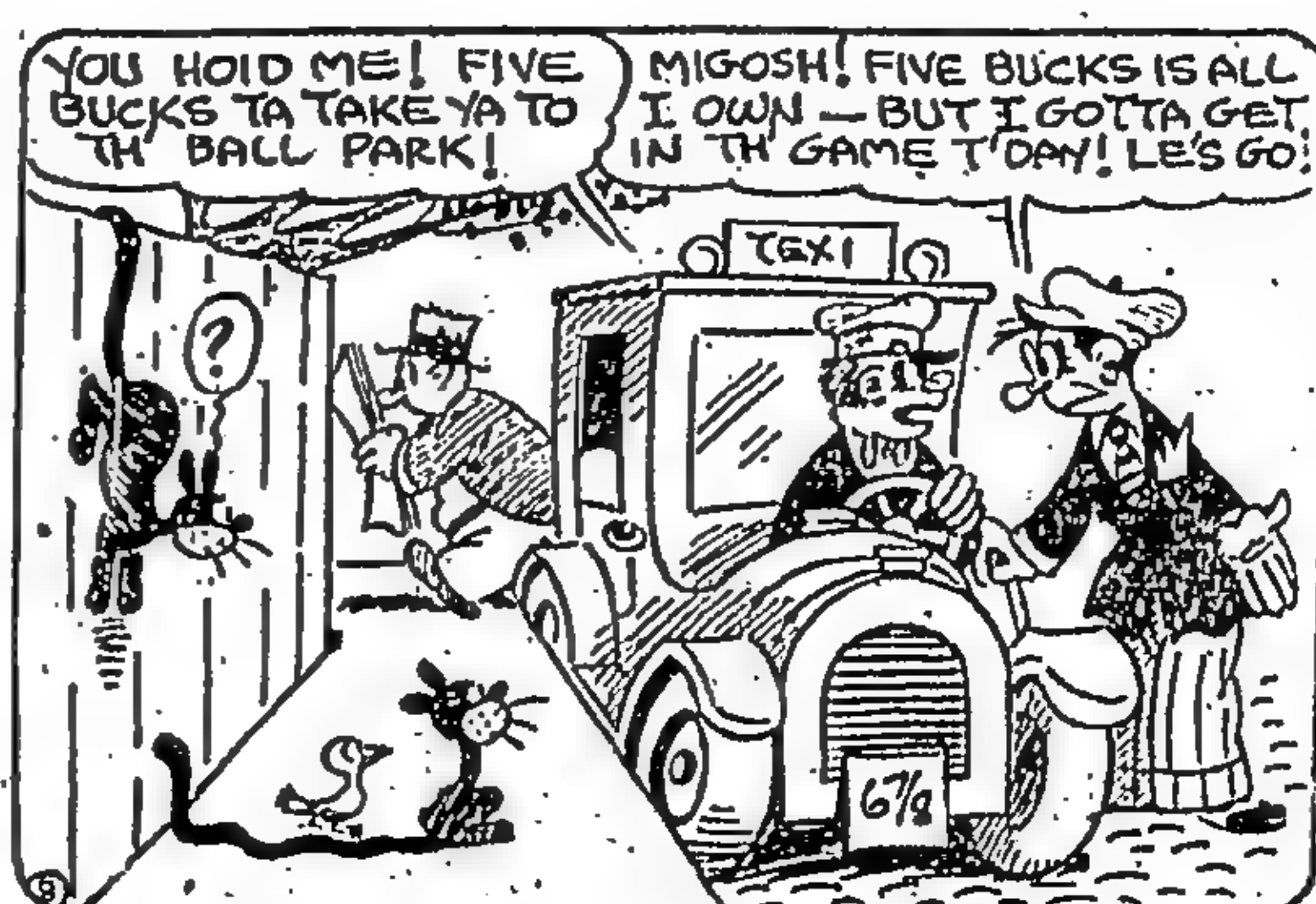


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## UNITED ARTISTS' TRIUMPHS

### IMPOSING LINE-UP OF FORTHCOMING FILMS

Reorganised United Artists, little troubled by the defection of Twentieth Century, is paving the way for one of the biggest years in its history.

Certainly its line-up of U.A. and associate releases for the forthcoming season is an imposing one.

In addition to the Walt Disney "Mickey Mouse" and Silly Symphonies and other similar record-breakers, United Artists has lined up a schedule of no less than 36 films to be screened in the Far East during the next six months.

Samuel Goldwyn is scheduled for six masterpieces. These are "Dark Angel", featuring Frederic March, Merle Oberon and Herbert Marshall, "Barbary Coast", starring Miriam Hopkins, Edward G. Robinson and Joel McCrea, "Shoot the Chutes", with Eddie Cantor, "Navy Born", with Miriam Hopkins and Joel McCrea, "Splendor", with the same starring players as "Navy Born" and another, untitled as yet, with Merle Oberon.

Rollins Films, producers of some of the best American films under the U.A. banner, are scheduled to release "Red Salute", starring Barbara Stanwyck and Robert Young, "Melody Lingers On", with Josephine Hutchinson and George Houston and "Last of the Mohicans", with an all-star cast.

#### Two From Mary

Mary Pickford, who is entering the production field in conjunction with Jesse Lasky, will make four pictures. One will be "Casanova", which will star Francis Lederer.

Joseph Selznick, probably the greatest American producer alive to-day, is producing six films. Chief is "Little Lord Fauntleroy", which will star Freddie Bartholomew, of "David Copperfield" fame.

Charlie Chaplin, in addition to starring in "Modern Times", which is already completed, is directing one film, as yet untitled, for United Artists. This will star Paulette Goddard, his leading lady in "Modern Times". The latter is scheduled for near release in the Far East.

#### British Productions

Probably the most imposing line-up of films ever to come out of British studios is scheduled for release under the United Artists banner.

These productions include seven from London Films and six from British and Dominion studios. From Alexander Korda, United Artists will distribute "Sanders of the River", Edgar Wallace's famous tale, the screen version of which will star Paul Robeson, "One Hundred Years to Come", based on H. G. Wells' imaginative classic, "The Man Who Could Work Miracles", starring Roland Young, "The Ghost Goes West", with Robert Donat, "Cyrano de Bergerac", with Charles Laughton (all Technicolour, utilising new process), "Conquest of the Air", with all-star British cast and "Moscow Nights", also with an important cast.

British & Dominions' contribution to the U.A. line-up is almost as imposing. It includes "Escape Me Never", with Elisabeth Bergner, "Peg of Old Drury", starring Anna Neagle, "Where is George?", starring inimitable Sydney Ho-

## EVEN A SMOKING ROOM

### LIKELY TO BE GIVEN NAME OF "ADOLF HITLER"

Berlin, Oct. 15.

THOUGH the name of Germany's new airship, the L.Z.129, is still an official secret, she is likely to be called the "Adolf Hitler."

The engineers in the giant hangar at Friedrichshafen hope to put the finishing touches on the ship by the end of November; but it is doubtful whether her maiden voyage will take place before the New Year.

Though she is not many feet longer than her immediate predecessor, the Graf Zeppelin, she has nearly twice the diameter. The skeleton is of duraluminium and with the exception of the stern and rudder plates she is now mounted.

Her 16 gas bags (each with an outer and inner gas cell) will be filled with hydrogen on the first voyage; but it is hoped that on her visit to the U.S.A. hydrogen will be replaced with the non-inflammable helium.

The most striking change in the interior design is that, whereas in the Graf Zeppelin the pilot's and passengers' rooms are in an after-gondola, the entire passenger accommodation in the new ship will be in the interior of the hull.

The engineers have tried to make the comfort of the air traveller almost as great as that of the passenger in a small liner.

On "B" deck there is accommodation for 60 passengers—25 small cabins each containing two bunks, supplied with hot and cold water and centrally heated.

#### Central Heating

On the port side is a spacious and lofty dining-room with slanting windows of safety glass, through which the diners can watch the landscape below. On the other side of the ship is a comfortable lounge and a small library and writing room.

In the centre there is a cocktail bar at the entrance to the first smoking-room ever built into an airship. The passengers are not allowed to smoke in any other part of the ship, and in this small smoking-room, the walls of which are of special fire-proof material, tobacco and matches are retained in compartments with the owner's name or number.

Outside—the smoking-room—an attendant will be on guard to see that no one passes out with a lighted cigarette, pipe or cigar.

#### To Carry 135 People

The electric kitchen is of the most modern type. The passenger section is arranged in two decks and there is a gangway and a broad staircase for the passage from one deck to another.

The ship is to be run by four Diesel engines (giving a total of 4,600 h.p.), each of which is to be contained in a gondola. The gondolas are attached to the hull by means of steel girder framework and steel cables of enormous strength.

The control room is in the bow, immediately in front of the navigator's room. The wireless room is inside the hull.

For short cruises, in addition to the crew of 35 which is to be accommodated on the lower deck, the number of passengers can be increased to 100.

Every person who has been engaged on the design and structure of this great ship, more than 800ft. in length, is convinced that she will even surpass the marvellous record of the Graf Zeppelin.

ward, "While Parents Sleep", with cast to be decided and "Come Out of the Pantry", with Jack Buchanan.

#### "La Vie Parisienne"

Two Continental films will also be released by United Artists. These are "La Vie Parisienne" (English version) and "Amateur Gentleman", playing Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.

In addition to these films scheduled for 1935-36 release, United Artists have yet to release in Hongkong several of their 1934-35 productions.

Chief of these is "Scarlet Pimpernel", starring Merle Oberon and Leslie Howard, which comes to the King's Theatre on October 25.

Sinclair Lewis's 1934 Nobel Literature Prize winning novel, "Dodsworth", has also been acquired, and will be released in the near future.

Charles Laughton is also scheduled to appear in "The Lion of Mayfair", and Jack London's great story of the Klondike gold rush, "Call of the Wild", will co-star Clark Gable, Loretta Young and Jack Oakie.

## Silken Thread Will Steer The Queen Mary!

London, Oct. 7.

WHEN the new ocean giant, Queen Mary, noses out into the Atlantic on her maiden voyage, it is probable that no one on board will remember that the liner owes anything to a seamstress living in a back street of Glasgow.

Yet to Miss Edith Rankin, of Glasgow, the Queen Mary will owe her ability to stay on a true course.

Miss Rankin has the task of weaving the gossamer threads of silk on the magnetic compass card, and sewing on the magnetic needles, which must be adjusted to the thousandth part of an inch. A fractional error might throw the ship miles off her course.

Miss Rankin has specialised in this work for many years, and compasses used by ships scattered throughout the seven seas have passed through her hands.

So delicately does Miss Rankin work that a silk stocking contrived by her hands would probably be digestible even by the most fastidious stomach.

## Mexico Makes Good Use Of Its Cannon

### PLOUGHS TO BE MADE FROM OLD ARMS OF DEATH

Mexico City, Oct.

Old cannons and surplus war material will be converted into 10,000 ploughs by order of President Lazaro Cardenas.

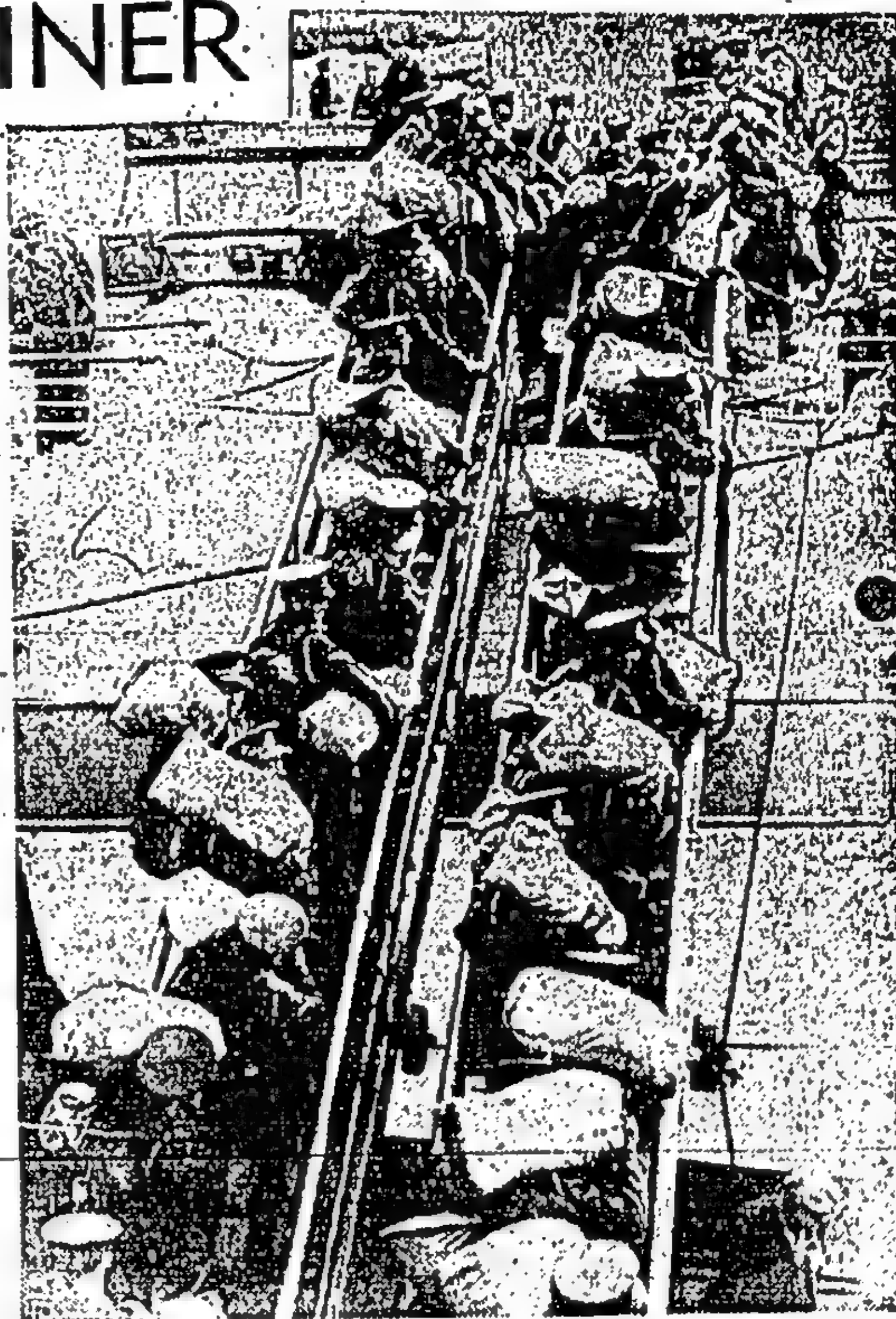
A decree has been issued ordering the Administration of War Materials to utilize the government factory in manufacturing agricultural implements.

The purpose of the decree is two-fold: first, to add the agrarian programme of the Six-Year Plan; secondly, to give work to the 1,600 employees of the National Arms and Munitions Factory, who might soon be thrown out of work, as practically all the money appropriated for war materials in 1935 has been spent.

The operation, which will cost between \$50,000 to \$100,000 (Mex.) will be financed by the National Bank of Agricultural Credit.

Four types of ploughs, suited to the various regions of Mexico, will be made. Obsolete cannons and metals already in the hands of the Administration of War Materials will be used. The government hopes to be able to sell the "campesinos" (rural workers) the ploughs at a cost below that which they would ordinarily have to pay; yet it has announced that it does not desire to affect adversely private industry.

Outside of the utilitarian aspects of the plough manufacturing programme General Cardenas desires it to stand out as a demonstration of Mexico's peaceful conditions.



British Tomhies, members of the Sixth Battery, Royal Artillery, embark at Southampton, England, for garrisons at Malta on the Mediterranean, and Aden, on the gulf bordering the Indian ocean. Meanwhile, British naval concentrations in the Mediterranean are worrying Mussolini, who has offered to divert soldiers from Libya if Britain will take Renown and Hood away.

## Strange Ill-luck of Charlie Chaplin's Leading Ladies

### HOLLYWOOD BELIEVES IN THIS HOODOO

IS there a bad luck spell that follows Charles Chaplin's leading ladies?

Hollywood believes in this hoodoo.

"A Chaplin leading lady fades away once her work with Chaplin is done," is what they say.



Charlie Chaplin and his latest leading lady, Paulette Goddard.

### G-WOMAN IN THE U.S. NOW

#### X-RAY EYES PIERCE GANGSTERS' DISGUISES

AMERICA'S first G-woman is bringing fear into the hearts of her State's criminals.

For Marie Groll, good-looking blonde whose X-ray eyes pierced Dillinger's disguise, is now head of the Indiana Police Bureau of Criminal Identification.

"Yes," she admitted, "it is true that I was called to Tucson, Arizona, where they were holding Dillinger and managed to say that he was the wanted man."

"There is nothing wonderful about it; it's my job. For five years now I've been classifying fingerprints and other characteristics, and this identification racket is just second nature to me now."

Miss Groll's first task will be to establish a system of duplicating her 140,000 records, so that these can be forwarded to the State Identification Bureau at Washington.

She is a firm believer in the infallibility of fingerprints.

"Criminals can dye their hair or even alter the shape of their noses and chins," she said, "but there is no getting away from fingerprints."

One of these days the first G-woman intends to spend a vacation in Great Britain—studying Scotland Yard methods.

Virginia Cherrill, who played the blind girl with Chaplin in "City Lights," believes in it; but thinks she can break it.

She is now in London, and has been playing in a newspaper film called "Late Extra" at Wembley.

"For five years I have been a mocking proof of this bad luck," she said. "And I have felt so helpless all the while. It is all so mysterious."

"I was introduced to Chaplin at a boxing match. He was sitting beside me, unassuming, insignificant. I did not feel greatly thrilled."

"Would you like to play in pictures?" he asked me.

"Is there any other answer on any girl's tongue but 'Yes, rather' to such a question?"

"Well, he made me a star. There were no preliminaries, no tests."

#### Inexperienced

"I protested: 'I have had no experience of acting. I would not know what to do. I'd be frightened.'"

"Because you have had no experience," said Chaplin, "I chose you. I do not want you to know a lot of things you'd have to unlearn."

"For two years we made 'City Lights.' Two years making a film the whole world breathlessly awaited."

"The showing of the film meant the end of my life as a Chaplin protegee. I was free to do what I wanted."

"But the ill-luck fell upon me. I wondered if I should make pictures, or rather, if I would be allowed to make pictures."

"For two years I battled against it. I was a year with Fox. I appeared in a few of their films. At other times I waited—just waited for something to happen."

"It seemed that Chaplin had given me a motion picture training too fine for the ordinary studios."

"Could it be, I thought, that this was the reason for the spell?"

"Were we Chaplin leading ladies not ordinary film players ready to be cast in any role but Chaplin models?"

"Can that be an explanation?"

"Now I am in Britain. I am making a picture here. I hope to make other pictures here."

"If the spell says I shall not find success in Hollywood, then maybe I can break its power in London."

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### GANGSTER WAR

### NEW YORK BEER BARON SHOT

New York, Oct. 24. One person was killed and six were critically wounded during an epidemic of gangster shootings in the metropolitan area here today.

Two assassins, armed with shot-guns and revolvers, invaded a crowded Newark chophouse and shot Arthur Flegenheimer, alias "Dutch" Schultz, the former New York beer baron, his bodyguards, Otto Berman, Leo Frank and Bernard Rosenkantz, and escaped amidst the screaming and panic which followed.

The wounded men were immediately rushed to hospital where after examination, Schultz was given an even chance of recovering, but Berman and Rosenkantz are reported as unlikely to live.

### Henchman Killed

Two hours later four gunmen killed Martin Krompfer, second in command of the Schultz gang, and Sam Greene, a bookmaker, at the entrance to a sub-way on 42nd Street and Seventh Avenue. It is not expected that they will recover.

The revolver reverberations transformed the north end of Times Square, in the heart of the Great White Way, into a bedlam, with panicky bystanders fleeing in all directions as the Police took up the chase after the assassins.

### Police Net

Meanwhile, a general order was issued sending 22,000 policemen in New York and the surrounding areas in search of twenty-two years-old Albert Stein, who is wanted in connection with six other gang murders during the last two months, following the horrible death of Louis Amberg, the Brooklyn racketeer, who was stripped, hacked with a hatchet, garrotted with wire and then shot. His body was then soaked in gasoline and burned and left in an automobile in a quiet street.

"Dutch" Schultz, who is 33 years of age, was born in Manhattan's Yorkville. He left grammar school after the sixth grade, became a printer and pressman, then a roofer, a trade he abandoned when he was 17. He then took up crime as his career, serving his apprenticeship under the late Jack "Legs" Diamond, and subsequently became a big "noise" in the beer racket.

Terrified by the Government's pitiless drive against the nation's mobsters, he went into hiding two years ago, but gave himself up at Albany on Thanksgiving Day last year after he had been threatened "for a ride" by rival gangsters.

In the course of his infamous career, Schultz amassed a huge fortune, running into nearly a million dollars.

### Bodyguards Die

New York, Oct. 24. "Dutch" Schultz's bodyguards, Leo Frank and Otto Herman have died of their injuries.—United Press.

### PROPERTY SALE

### SIXTH SHARE OF HOUSE AND LAND

A sixth share of No. 9 Sai On Lane was disposed of yesterday afternoon in the sales-room of Messrs. Lammet Brothers, auctioneers, to Mr. Lau Sik-yue, of 3 Jervois Street. The starting price was \$1,000 with bids of \$100. Mr. Lau opened the bidding and after some persuasion from Mr. L. Lammet, the auctioneer, he was raised to \$1,200, upon which Mr. Lau clinched the sale with an offer of \$1,400.

The premises are held for the residue of the term of 99 years commencing from November 16, 1864, and the area of the lot is 906 square feet, the proportion of Crown Rent being \$13.50 a year.

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## BRITAIN MUST COMMAND MEDITERRANEAN

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so aroused as when Mr. Churchill shouted: "What is the great new fact which has emerged since the House adjourned in August? It is this—the League is alive and in action. It is fighting for its life. It is practically fighting for all our lives."

### BACKED BY SHIPS

Touching off the demonstration which shattered the traditional British reserve, he said: "The reason the League is now a reality is that our sea power has lain behind it and invested every debate and decision at Geneva with a gravity and significance which otherwise they would not have possessed."

He said he did not believe that Signor Mussolini would "have embarked on his Ethiopian adventure save for France's profound preoccupation with Germany and rearmament, plus the real or supposed naval weakness of Britain."—United Press.

### LEAGUE ALERT

London, Oct. 24. Mr. Winston Churchill began his speech in the Commons by referring to the progress of German rearmament. Whatever they thought of the reasons or object of that movement, he submitted they could not have any other anxiety comparable to the anxiety it caused. Compared with that, he regarded the war between Italy and Abyssinia as a very small matter. It was on the basis of German rearmament that the dispute between Italy and the League must be considered, and in all the circumstances, he thought the efforts which France had made to give effect to the League Covenant deserved warm recognition.

Mr. Churchill expressed sympathy with the Abyssinians in the invasion of their country, but said now they had appealed to the League they must be made to put their house in order so that the League could not be accused of taking one-sided action against Italy. The great new fact of the international situation, Mr. Churchill declared, was that the League of Nations was alive and in action. They were in the presence of a memorable event—the assertion of public law by fifty nations and its recognition by the State affected and the historic figure at the head of that State. The League of Nations had passed from shadow into substance, from rhetoric into reality. The structure, always majestic but hitherto shadowy, was being clothed with power. They began to feel the beating of the pulse which might some day give a greater measure of strength and security to the whole world.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Labour)—who followed, devoted his speech to the charge that the Government were using the international crisis to divert attention from the failure of their unemployment policy.—British Wireless.

## FANLING GOLF

### STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course  
9.24 D. J. Gilmore, A. W. da Roza.  
9.28 S. H. Dodwell, H. H. Mundy.  
9.32 K. S. Robertson, A. L. Eastman.  
9.36 E. J. R. Mitchell, A. Urquhart.  
9.40 I. H. Geare, D. C. Wilson.  
9.44 W. A. Stewart, A. A. Lopes.  
9.48 C. M. Hargreaves, E. W. G. Malcolm.  
9.52 E. T. McMullen, T. C. Monaghan.  
9.56 G. A. Leiper, C. C. Willson.  
10.00 A. B. Purves, Comdr. Hole.  
10.04 R. C. Webb, W. N. A. Smalley.  
10.08 F. Lobel, T. R. Chasels.  
10.12 H. A. Browning, A. K. Forsyth.  
10.16 E. M. Bryden, H. C. Hopkins.  
10.20 G. Marselle, A. Sommerfelt.  
10.24 C. C. Stark, J. W. Alabaster.  
10.28 R. A. Rodgers, J. Stenersen.  
10.32 C. Mycock, A. Anderson.  
10.36 G. A. Stewart, D. A. Campbell.  
10.40 R. Edward Jones, M. Wilkinson.  
10.44 Comdr. Legge, C. G. Black.

New Course  
9.24 R. K. Collings, W. Taylor.  
9.28 O. E. C. Marton, E. da Roza.  
9.32 D. S. Edward, A. J. Dennis.  
9.36 A. E. Lissaman, F. E. A. Remedios.  
9.40 D. S. Robb, T. D. Paton.  
9.44 F. Morrison, H. H. Faulkner.  
9.48 K. J. Middleton, W. Wright.

## OBITUARY.

### COUNCILLOR TO MILITARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Peking, October 24. The death has occurred of General Chin Yun-so Senior Councillor to the Military Advisory Council.—Reuter.  
General Chin Yun-so was born in 1878 and was a native of Chingning, Shanlung. A graduate of the Peking Military Academy he was appointed in 1923 to the command of the 11th Division. The appointment to the post which he held at the time of his death was made in 1930.

## NAVAL PARLEY CALLED

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ferred to Germany and Russia.—United Press.

### GLAD ACCEPTANCE

Washington, Oct. 24. The United States Ambassador in London, Mr. Robert Bingham, gladly accepted the British invitation to the London naval conference.—Reuter.

### WASHINGTON CONFERS

Washington, Oct. 24. The State Department announces it has cabled acceptance of the British invitation to a naval parley. The text of the British invitation is not to hand, but Mr. Cordell Hull accepted it on the basis of the U. S. Ambassador's cable, after conferring with President Roosevelt.

Admiral Standley also conferred with President Roosevelt for half an hour, discussing "the general naval situation."—United Press.

### ALTERING POLICY

Washington, Oct. 24. It is indicated that the United States will depart from its policy of the past in appointing a delegation composed of professional diplomats for the London naval parley.

It is expected that Admiral Standley, staunch big navy advocate, will be named chief of the delegation, and it is also intimated that Mr. Norman Davis, previous chief delegate, will be omitted from the party.

With Anglo-Italian relations very strained, observers hold little hope for any fleet limitation accomplishment. An additional unfavourable element in the British elections on November 14, which will probably be contested primarily over the question of increased armaments.—United Press.

### JAPAN ACCEPTS

Tokyo, Oct. 25. The Japanese Foreign Office announced today that the British Government's invitation to the naval conference in London is still en route to Tokyo.

A spokesman indicated, however, that Japan had accepted the invitation. He added that it was premature to comment or speculate at this stage regarding the nature of the Japanese delegation.

The Foreign Office and Navy Office will study the British proposals upon receipt, after which a reply will be sent to London. Asked whether Japan was awaiting receipt of the text of the British proposals in order to learn "Britain's true motive in summoning the signatories to the London and Washington treaties," the Foreign Office spokesman replied: "I do not believe the British invitation is likely to reveal anything."

### LEAGUE DOCUMENTS

The Foreign Office has also copies of various documents from the League of Nations regarding the Italo-Ethiopian dispute. In addition, a letter has been received from Geneva stating that the League would welcome suggestions. Japan has not as yet received official reports regarding the investigation of sanctions against Italy.

The League communications will be acknowledged after which they will be studied before Japan decides whether suggestions should be offered regarding the dispute. The Foreign Office spokesman did not indicate whether suggestions were likely to be made.—United Press.

## EXCHANGE RATES

	Oct. 21.	Oct. 24.
Paris	74.33/64	74.39/64
Geneva	15.19	15.11 1/2
Basle	12.22 1/2	12.22 1/2
Athens	5.15	5.10
Milan	60.9/16	60.7/16
Shanghai	1/55	1/4.3/16
New York	4.913/16	4.917
Amsterdam	7.23 1/2	7.24 1/2
Vienna	26	26 1/2
Frankfurt	118 1/2	118 1/2
Bucharest	625	625
Madrid	36	36
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	2/04	1/11 1/2
Brussels	20.20	20.21
Monte Video	30 1/2	30 1/2
Belgrade	215	215
Monteral	4.98 1/2	4.98 1/2
Yokohama	1/2.3/64	1/2.3/64
Helsingfors	22 1/2	22 1/2
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Buenos Aires	16	16
Silver (Spot)	29.5/16	29.5/16
Silver (Forward)	29.5/16	29.5/16
War Loan	104 1/2	105 1/2

## NEGRO TOURISTS

### COMING TO LEARN JAPAN'S SECRET

Osaka, Oct. 24. Interviewed by the Osaka Mainichi, Mr. S. S. Prestone, representing the American Negro Organisation, which is planning to send 500 negro tourists to Japan in 1936 said that "negroes desire to learn the Japanese secret which has enabled her to advance to the position 'she now' holds in the world."—United Press.

# POST OFFICE.

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR PARCEL MAILS FOR GREAT BRITAIN

Christmas and New Year Parcel Mails for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office as follows:—  
Steamer Date of Closing Date due at London  
Sonnali . . . . . 5 p.m., 8th November 16th December  
Rawalpindi . . . . . 5 p.m., 15th November 10th December

## IMPERIAL AIRWAYS VIA SINGAPORE

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## VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

## INWARD MAILS

From	Date	Time
Shanghai and Swatow	October 26.	
Java and Manila	October 26.	
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London, 26th September	October 27.	
Hainan	October 27.	
Japan	October 27.	
Straits	October 27.	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 7th October)	October 28.	
Straits, Manila and London Parcels	October 28.	
London, 19th September	October 28.	
Japan	October 28.	
Straits and Air Mail ex Imperial Airways Service (London, 12th October) and Air Mail ex Amsterdam-Handong Service—Amsterdam, 16th Oct.	October 29.	
Straits	October 29.	
Calcutta and Straits	October 29.	
Calcutta and Straits	October 29.	
Manila	October 30.	
Java	October 30.	
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 3rd October and London Parcels—London, 26th September	October 31.	
Shanghai	October 31.	
Japan	October 31.	
Hainan	November 1.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 12th October)	November 1.	
Saloon	November 2.	
Straits	November 2.	
Australia and Manila	November 2.	
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	November 2.	
(Due Marseilles, 24th November)	November 2.	
K. P. O.	November 2.	
Reg., . . . . . Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.	November 2.	
Letters, . . . . . Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.	November 2.	
G. P. O.	November 2.	
Reg., . . . . . Oct. 25, 5 p.m.	November 2.	
Letters, . . . . . Oct. 25, 5 p.m.	November 2.	

## OUTWARD MAILS

For	Date	Time
Sauwahi and Wuchow	Fri., Nov. 25, 4 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C. and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 12th Nov.)	Fri., Nov. 25, 4.15 p.m.	
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Kamo Maru (Due Thursday Island, 7th November)	Fri., Nov. 25, 4.15 p.m.	
Manila	Fri., Nov. 25, 4.15 p.m.	
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Fri., Nov. 25, 4.15 p.m.	
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Letters, . . . . . Oct. 25, 5 p.m.	Fri., Nov. 25, 4.15 p.m.	
Saturday	Sat., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.	
Amoy	Sat., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.	
Letters for "Imperial Airways Santhia Service" (Due London, 11th November)	Sat., Oct. 26, 3.30 p.m.	
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## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

### LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the  
London Stock Exchange have been  
received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson  
and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters.  
Oct. 23, Oct. 24.

#### British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% 105½ 105½

4½% Bonds 1898 101½ 101½

4½% Loan 1908 99½ 99½

5% Loan 1912 77½ 77½

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.) 91½ 91½

5% Bonds 1925-27 96½ 96½

5% Shal-Nanking Rly. 69½ 69½

5% Tient-Pukow Rly. 22 22

5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan) 23½ 23½

5% Hukang Rly. 25 25

5% Hukang Rly. 1911 38 38

5% Lung Tsing U. Hai Rly. 11½ 11½

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7½ Int. 57½ 58

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 83½ 84

Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1923 91½ 95½

H.K. & Shai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) 13½ 13½

Charl. Bk. of L.A. & C. 13½ 13½

#### Commercial and Industrial

Allied Iron Found. 37½ 37½

Associated Elec. 35½ 35½

Austin Motors ord. sh. 42½ 43½

Boots 5/- sh. 48½ 48½

British-American Tobacco (Beater) 115½ 117½

Canadian Collieries Chinese Eng. and Mtn. (Beater) 11½ 12½

Countdowns 33½ 33½

Distillers 92½ 92½

Dunlop Rubber 36½ 36½

Electric Industries 25½ 26½

General Electric (England) 52½ 52½

Hawker Aircraft 30½ 30½

Impl. Chem. Ind. 35½ 35½

O.K. Bazaars 35½ 35½

Riba Tobacco 140½ 140½

Riba Royce & Co. 153½ 154½

Shai Elec. Constr. 44½ 44½

Tate & Lyle 85½ 85½

Turner & Newall 57½ 57½

United Steel 31½ 31½

Vickers ord. 17½ 17½

Walney, Combe & Reid def. ord. 71½ 72½

Woolworths 110½ 110½

#### Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 25½ 25½

Gula Kalumpung 22½ 22½

Rubber Synd. 2/- ord. sh. 1½ 1½

Rubber Trusts 30½ 31½

#### Mines

Burma Corp. Rs. 11½ 11½

Commonwealth Mining 11½ 11½

Randfontein 52½ 53½

Spaarwater Gold Mining 7½ 7½

Springs Mines 41½ 42½

Sub-Nigel 25½ 25½

Rhokana Corp. 101½ 101½

#### Oils

Anglo-Persian 61½ 64½

Burma Oil 76½ 76½

Shell Trans. and Trade (Beater) 76½ 76½

Chasen Corp. 16½ 16½

Marsman Invest-ments, Ltd. 29½ 29½



Ricardo Cortez and Dorothy Faye  
in "Manhattan Moon" coming to the  
Alhambra Theatre next week.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Oct. 24.  
The following reports on the New  
York Stock Market have been  
received through Messrs. Swan, Culbert-  
son and Fritz:

The Wall Street Journal report on  
yesterday's market—Stocks today  
were irregular, and some recent  
favourites registered a decline. Oil  
shares and numerous specialties were  
upward, but utilities were off when  
the Brooklyn Union Gas Company  
paid a quarterly dividend of 75 cents  
as against a former quarterly divid-  
end of \$1.25. Rubbers were upward  
on rumour of an advance in the price  
of the commodity. Silver shares  
were also upward, renewed interest  
being attributed to a report of de-  
preciation of the Shanghai Dollar  
accompanied by heavy sales of bul-  
lion in London. The United States  
Treasury is reported to have bought  
8,000,000 ounces of silver within the  
last two days. Automotive shares  
were active, but sentiment was mixed.  
Stocks on the curb exchange were  
irregularly higher, while the bonds  
market ended upward.  
S. C. & P. New York office cables—  
The market today was moderately

### "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

#### To-morrow's Picture Features

A feature of to-morrow's  
issue of the Telegraph  
Pictorial Supplement will be  
the publication of numerous  
wedding groups, including  
those of Lieut. Barham and  
Miss Adair; Mr. H. S. Jones  
and Miss Mary Pridmore; Mr.  
G. Tavasterna and Miss T.  
Olontzoff; Mr. A. B. Henry  
and Miss "Billie" Blumenthal;  
Mr. A. M. Stuart and Miss M.  
L. Melborne; Mr. J. R. Can-  
ning and Miss Z. Gintov; Mr.  
H. A. Barros and Miss Cecilia  
Noronha, and Mr. J. A. Mann  
and Mrs. Navarro-Guerreia.  
Groups taken at a dinner  
given to members of the  
Scandinavian community by  
Messrs. and Mrs. Heiberg will ap-  
pear, as well as a group of  
members of the Hongkong  
University Union, and a pic-  
ture taken at the R. E. parade  
last Sunday.

## U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

### LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the  
New York commodity exchange are  
issued by Reuters.

	Oct. 23.	Oct. 24.
October	11.05	10.98/11.00ex
December	11.00	10.96/96
January	10.95	10.90/90
March	11.03	10.94/94
May	11.07	10.99/11.00
July	11.07	11.01/01
Spot	11.40	11.35

#### New York Rubber

	13.15	13.15/19	13.10/16
December	13.22	13.25/26	13.24/26a
January	13.39	13.42/44	13.41/40
March	13.52	13.57/59	13.54/54
May	13.67	13.73/74	13.68/69a
July			

Total sales—361 lots.

#### Chicago Wheat

	99½	99½	99½
December	99	98½	99
May	89	89	89½
July	89	89	89½

Wednesday's sales: 20,740,000 bushels.

#### Chicago Corn

December	89	Market closes
May	93	
New York Sugar		
December	2.41	2.45/40

Wednesday's sales: 7,221,000 bushels.

#### Winnipeg Wheat

	89½	Market closed
December	89	
May	93	

#### New York Sugar

	2.41	2.45/46
December	2.16	2.16/17
January	2.12	2.12/13
March	2.17	2.16/17
May	2.20	2.20/21
July		

Total sales—13,000 tons.

#### New York Silk

	2.69	2.67½/07½
December	2.64	2.64/05
March	2.64	2.65/05
May		

Total sales—83 lots.

#### Montreal Silver

	66.30	Market closed
December	66.50	
January	66.74	
March	67.80	
May		

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## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of  
local share quotations issued this  
morning.

### Banks.

H.K. Banks, \$1,070 b. and sa.  
H. K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.),  
\$106½ n.  
Chartered Bank, £135 n.  
Mercantile Bank, A. and B.,  
£28½ n.  
Mercantile Bank C., £123½ n.  
East Asia Bank, \$61 n.

### Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$190 b.  
Union Ins., \$402½ b.  
China Underwriters, \$1.10 s.  
China Fire, \$382 n.  
H.K. Fire Ins., 190 b.  
Internat'l Assoc., Sh. \$4 n.

### Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 n.  
H.K. Steamboats, \$4 n.  
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Shai Loans, Sh. \$6½ n.  
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Venz: Goldfield \$2.30 n.

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H.K. Docks, \$9 n.  
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New Engineerings, Sh. \$4 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.

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Chinese Estates, \$86 n.  
China Realities, Sh. \$4 n.  
China Debentures, Sh. \$35 n.

### Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$10.60 b.  
Peak Trams, (old), \$5 n.  
Peak Trams, (new), \$4½ n.  
Star Ferries, \$77 b.  
Yaumati Ferries, (old) \$17 n.  
China Lights, \$8.10 b. and sa.  
H.K. Electric, \$59½ b. and sa.  
Mueno Electric, \$20 n.  
Sandakan Lights, \$3 s.  
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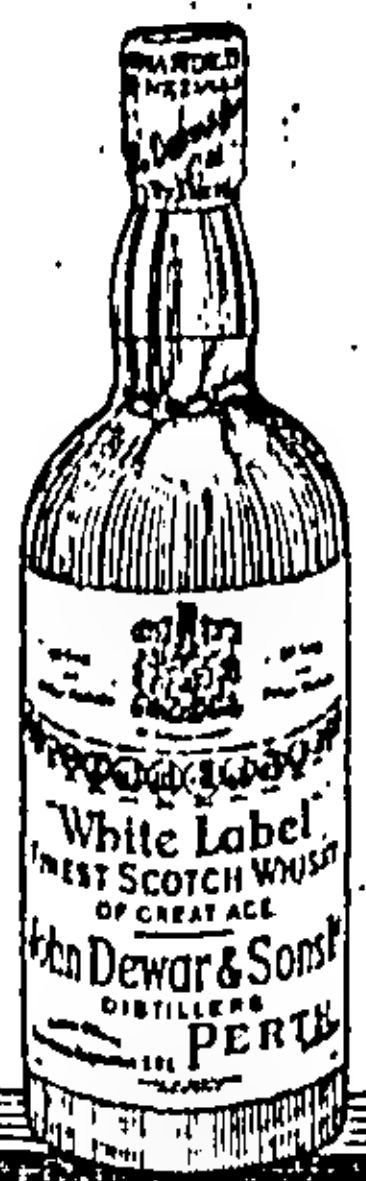
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THE COMING ELECTION

In three weeks' time, the British electorate will be called upon to decide whether the present Administration shall remain in office. It is not easy, at this distance from the centre of political thought, to assess with any exactitude the prospects of the Baldwin Administration being given a fresh lease of life, although there would appear to be little reason to think that it will suffer a defeat at the polls. It is somewhat unusual for a Government to go to the country in the midst of a big international crisis, and actually there is no necessity for the appeal to be made at this moment, seeing that the Administration has another year to run before its term of office automatically expires. But its leaders evidently believe that its chances of re-election would be greater now than if it waited until next year. In this connection, it must be kept in mind that the measures which have been found necessary in the present crisis have naturally involved the Government in considerable cost, with the prospect of still further heavy expenditure in the immediate future. This fact, together with the additional money which will be needed to bring the defence forces of the nation up to an adequate strength, will be reflected in the next Budget, and it is just possible that with the prospect of additional taxation being necessary, the Government feels that it would be safer to get the election over before the full extent of the burdens were disclosed. Be that as it may, there is nothing to indicate that the electorate is in a mood to throw over the Government at this juncture. In the main, its foreign policy finds widespread support, whilst in the domestic sphere there is general appreciation of the measures which have placed the nation once again on the up-grade. The only serious opposition likely is that from Labour, but it is clear that the Labourites are not just now an altogether happy family, besides which their criticism of the Government's handling of the present crisis is rather more of detail than of principle. At the last General Election, the National Government swept the country, being returned with no fewer than 554 seats, compared with the Opposition total of a mere 61. Labour suffered the heaviest reverse, its strength being reduced from 287 at the time it went into power to just over fifty. The Conservatives won no fewer than 208 seats from opponents, losing none previously held, whilst Labour losses totalled 213, with no gains registered. Since then, the Government has lost a few seats in bye-elections, but its strength is still unimpaired. It may be expected that Labour will win back quite a number of its lost seats, but it will be surprising

## NOTES OF THE DAY

## CHAOTIC MARKETS

What is to become of the Hongkong dollar? A good many people were asking that question yesterday. They expect newspapers to know, for some reason, or at least to be able to venture a shrewd guess. We dare not. There is one thing certain, and that is that the fluctuations in Shanghai have been caused by wild speculations and rumour-mongering, and that the rapid depreciation of the Shanghai dollar has had its effect on the local market. There was a rumour yesterday that the Shanghai gold bar market might be closed, for it had panicked and the bar price had risen by leaps and bounds, coming close to \$1,100 yesterday afternoon. Someone must have been badly hurt in the clinches. Meanwhile, we were told by those who know about these things, because we were busily making enquiries to satisfy anxious questioners, that the Hongkong Government was going to place an embargo on the export of Hongkong silver dollars. The Government replied that it was not, but that it appreciated the danger of a severe drain upon the resources of the Colony if the value of the dollar sank below export parity. An embargo, experts state, would certainly have an unfortunate effect upon the exchange market. It is all very involved, but it is worth while studying, because the future of the dollar will have a very vital effect upon the condition of affairs in this Colony. If exchange weakens seriously, the Government will be embarrassed, and will be faced with the necessity of finding new taxation or cutting civil servants' pay. Those who heretofore have clamoured for a lower dollar, and moaned over the rising rate, had best beware lest that for which they wished so fervently should actually come about, bringing with it pay cuts.

## WHAT'S A WEEK-END?

The strange things that people ask! Someone now demands that he be given a precise definition of the duration or extent of what is commonly called a week-end. Life to him, apparently, will be no longer worth living if the present uncertainty on that point be allowed to continue, says the Edinburgh Evening Dispatch. It is another evidence that matter-of-fact materialism is laying its icy hand on everything nowadays. We no longer breed inspired geniuses; instead we have a multitude of potential or fully certificated accountants and auditors, aided by powerful batteries of mechanical calculators. Now, surely, the supreme beauty of the British week-end—a gift that it is our proud privilege to have conferred on mankind—is this very vagueness or elasticity that meticulous minds find so irritating? It may be anything from a solitary Saturday afternoon to the period which begins on Thursday morning and ends on Wednesday night. Even the railway companies have abetted the beautiful scheme by granting week-end tickets of a duration that would have greatly shocked our forbears, who, we are too often told, were always much more devoted to their work than we are.

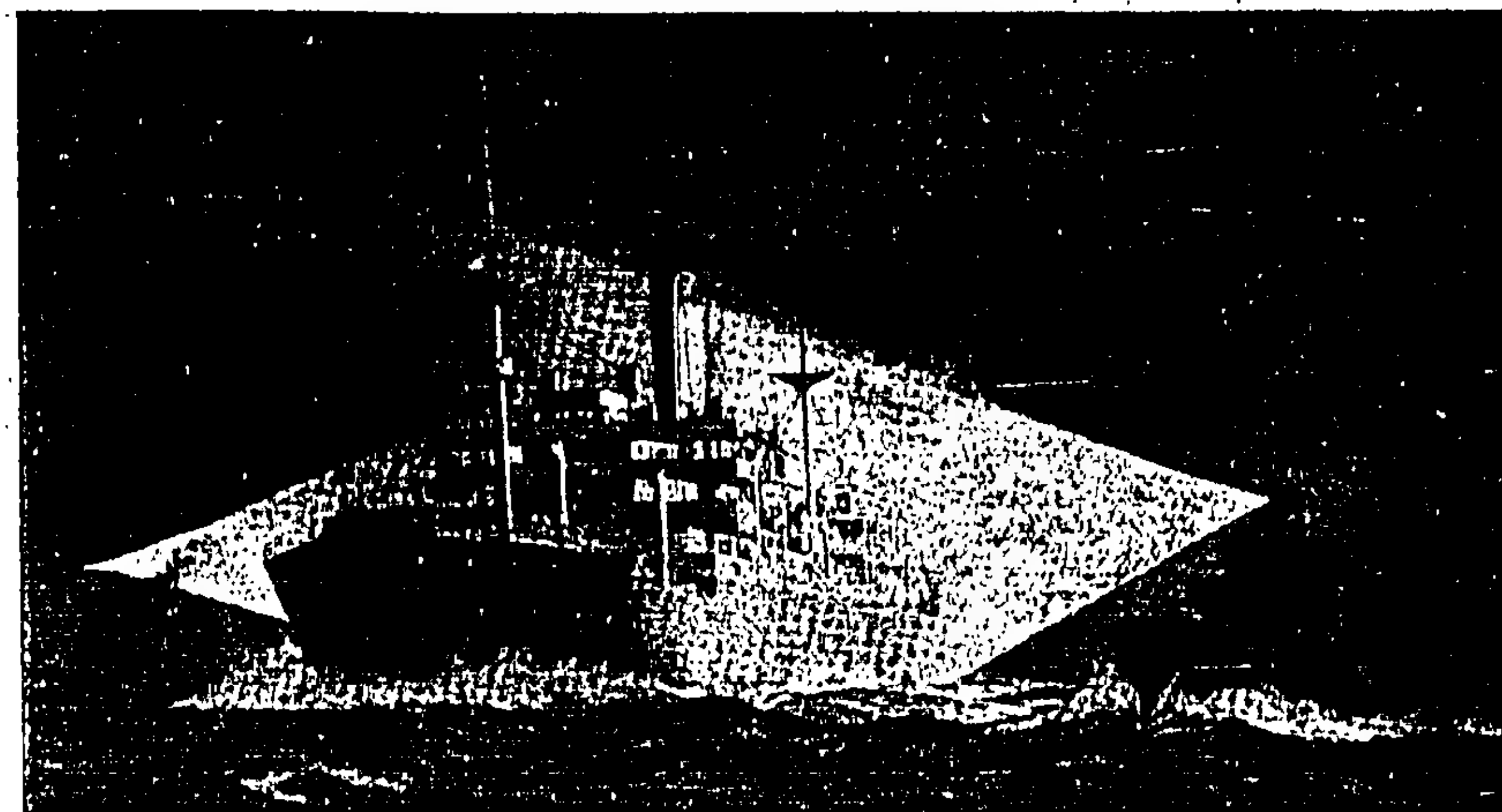
## IT MAY COME

No man has yet seriously argued that the words week-end are synonyms for a fortnight, but, at the present rate of expansion, that also may come. Machinery can be made to do so much of the world's serious work in these days that there is no reason why the week-ends of many of us should not be as long as we choose to make them. At the worst it is no more heinous to prolong a week-end unprecedently than it is to put the clock back or forward an hour, as, twice a year, the Government exhorts us to do. The day is far distant, it is hoped, when the cry will be for shorter week-ends. Generally, the longer they are the better. True, international crises have a strange tendency to break out at the end of the week, as have the speeches of Mr. Lloyd George; but these evils, it will surely be admitted, are as nothing compared with the many benefits that flow from the weekly cessation of mischievous activities by the bulk of British citizens. It seems tolerably certain that if Signor Mussolini, Herr Hitler, and some other mortals cast in a Napoleonic mould could be persuaded to take a week-end off now and then, the world would be a less nerve-racking place to live in, and the international crises referred to above would undergo the heaviest slump they have shown for years.

if the Government is not able to muster a majority over all other factions combined. Britain's reputation abroad would suffer severely from a change of Government at this juncture. There is small reason to think that the elections will have any such result.

## The Right of Search

Position of Shipping in the Event of a Naval Blockade At Sea



Scenes such as this, common during the Great War, may again prevail in the Mediterranean and Red Seas if the League authorises a naval blockade of Italy.

THE rights of neutrals and belligerents in the event of League sanctions against Italy taking the form of a naval blockade must be of great interest to British people, especially in Hongkong, because such a vast proportion of our trade passes through what might be termed the "war area."

"The right of visiting and searching merchant ships upon the high seas, whatever be the ships, whatever be the cargoes, whatever be the destinations, is the incontestable right of the lawfully commissioned cruisers of a belligerent nation." Thus Lord Stowell in 1799, and nothing has happened since to alter these rights of a belligerent nation.

True, the United States took a stand upon the "Freedom of the Seas," and this doctrine was embodied in President Wilson's Fourteen Points. It has been defined by an American statesman as, "The right of neutral nations to carry their commerce as freely in time of war as in peace, except when they carry actual munitions of war or when they actually seek to break a blockade which is more than a paper blockade."

THE American State Department, however, has recommended, and President Roosevelt has concurred, that the United States should not insist upon the "Freedom of the Seas" in future wars. In any event, the British Government has always been an upholder of the right of visit and search of merchant vessels, under whatever flag they may sail; and an opponent of the doctrine of the "Freedom of the Seas." It was this attitude which led to much controversy between Great Britain and the United States during the Great War.

The right of visit and search may be exercised in the territorial waters of the belligerent or his enemies or anywhere upon the high seas, but not in the territorial waters of neutral States. Legally a vessel may be stopped anywhere outside such waters in any part of the globe. In case of actual sea hostilities, however, it is unlikely that the League or Britain would wish to exercise this right outside the Mediterranean and Red Seas, and possibly the north-west portion of the Indian Ocean. Even should wish to do so, insistence upon the right of visit and search in other parts of the world would lead to dispersion of force which could hardly be contemplated.

It may be assumed, therefore, that shipping would, in the event of naval hostilities, be subjected to visit and search only in the Mediterranean and Red Seas and the vicinity of the Gulf of Aden, and in these waters which lie outside the territorial limits. The Suez Canal and its immediate approaches are protected both by being in Egyptian territorial waters and by Article 4 of the Convention of Constantinople, which forbids any act of war in the canal or within three sea miles of its ports.

THE submission of neutral ships to visit and search upon the high seas must, of course, delay them upon their voyages. While it is obviously in the interests of a belligerent to reduce the inconvenience caused to neutral shipping to a minimum, the delay may be considerably increased by weather conditions, for, where the weather does not permit of visit and search upon the high seas, or when there is a reasonable suspicion of illegal trading, neutral vessels may be diverted to a suitable port. Having regard to the limitations of the right of search to the high seas or belligerent territorial waters, of must obviously mean the diversion of the ship to a port for search.

This right to divert ships for search was clearly maintained by France in 1916, when the Ministry of Marine made a declaration to the effect that "The French Admiralty consider that to-day a ship in order to be visited and searched ought to be diverted to a port whenever the state of the sea or the nature, weight, volume, or stowage of the suspected cargo, as well as the obsecurity and lack of precision in the papers on board, makes visit and search at sea impossible in practice or dangerous to the ship visited."

It is laid down by International Law that, in the event of subsequent examination proving that suspicions were unfounded, the neutral can obtain damages against the belligerent Power. But such damages are only for losses arising from unreasonable diversion or from unreasonable delay.

The fact that neutral warships are not subject to visit and search gives rise to the question of whether neutral merchant ships, if escorted by a neutral man-of-war, are liable to stoppage. It has been argued that a convoy, being under the direct supervision of a man-of-war, is exempt from visit and search. This exemption has been termed the "right of convoy." That the "right of convoy" detracts in any way from the right of visit and search has never been admitted by Great Britain, and an American judge has asserted that "the law deems the sailing under convoy as an act per se inconsistent with neutrality."

There is no doubt, therefore, that a naval boycott of Italy would confer the right upon Britain of stopping, visiting, and searching Italian ships on the high seas passing through the Mediterranean or the Red Sea or approaching the Gulf of Aden, and, if considered necessary, of diverting ships for detailed examination in a friendly port. There is another important point. That is that ships carrying contraband—and it is for the League of Nations to declare what articles are considered contraband—to any port having access to Italy or its colonies in Africa can be detained, and confiscated, in the event of the Prize Court finding that the cargo was war material. This is due to the doctrine of "continuous voyage," by which the destination of the ship makes no difference if it can be proved

The Very Idea!

ON HOLIDAYS

Big Newspaper Faces A Staff Mutiny

By Empress Eddie Kelly, of Britain  
WHAT with all these American congressmen arriving here next week, and being pestered all day by the office flappers and people who want to pay us the money they owe us for card debts, we have decided that what we want is a nice, long holiday.

Maybe, by working day and night, snatching a mouthful of food when it can, remaining at its post until it falls exhausted under its typewriter, and by sheer grit, perseverance and going without a shave, the staff of the Telegraph will be able to carry on during our absence.

As soon as we started mentioning holidays, our acquaintances enthusiastically remembered certain places on the atlas. Some of them thought that Ethiopia would be a good place, while others pointed out the possible benefit of a trip to Szechuan, where the Communists are chopping off people's heads, or Blas Bay, where there are other pirates.

This business of going for a holiday, however, requires careful consideration.

There is, for instance, luggage to be packed, the flat to be sub-leased, and furniture to be stored. One must also come to some arrangement with his creditors.

And then, if we stay away too long, there might be a mutiny of the staff.

And, finally, fares and expenses are a big consideration.

Anyway, what would it cost to go to Macao for a day?



## ERIN VER ICY?

HAU WON'T  
ANSWER

## WATCHING HANGHAI

Washington, Oct. 24. Henry Morgenthau, the Secretary of the United States and the man behind the purchase programme, when asked whether the decline of the dollar would in any way affect the future Treasury silver situation, replied: "I would rather not answer that question."—*Reuter*.

### SITUATION SERIOUS

New York, Oct. 24. Rumours of the devaluation of the Shanghai dollar, coincident with its recent break, were cautiously received in local foreign exchange circles to-day, where they were accepted as only referring to the ultimate consequences of paper money inflation. It was pointed out that there is an enormous "short" position in Chinese exchange, which is possibly responsible for the alarmist rumours, although it is conceded that the situation may become serious.—*Reuter*.

**LOCAL DOLLAR DOWN**  
There was a further decline of the dollar in the official rate of the Shanghai dollar on opening this morning, the quotation being 1s. 11d. Business rates at first were 11d. sellers and 1s. 11.1/16d. buyers, but later there was a recovery, the market steadying on profit-taking by Chinese speculators, business being done up to 1s. 11.3/16d.

In Shanghai, the rate opened at 1s. 4d., but later steadied up somewhat. Gold bars, which closed at 1,062 yesterday, opened at 1,087 this morning, but later declined to 1,063.

Gold dollars were quoted at 47.5/8 on opening. In London, spot silver was unchanged yesterday, but the forward rate declined 1/16th. India and China sold, while America bought. The market was steady. Later this morning, the Hongkong dollar recovered to an official quotation of 1s. 11.3/4d. The market was firmer, the business rate being 1s. 11.1/2d. Business was done during the morning at high as 1s. 11.3/4d., but the rate on opening this morning was 1s. 11.1/4d. with gold dollars 47.5/8 and Shanghai 1s. 45/16d.

## HOSPITAL CASES

### BATCH OF MISHAPS YESTERDAY

Seaman Ross, of the U.S.S. Sacramento, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from injuries received when he put his fist through a window at the Sang Kee Eating House, Hennessy Road.

Other cases admitted to the C. C. H. were a man, Lo Siu-lum, 45 Queen's Road Central, who fell through a window while cleaning it; Cheng Tim, of an unknown sump, and Ghis Sun, woman, of Hollywood Road, knocked down by motor lorry 4317; and an unknown Chinese man who was knocked down by tramcar 37 in Des Voeux Road West.

Yeung Fong, electrician employed at the China Light and Power Company, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries caused when a pole which he was erecting fell on him.

Ching Kuni, of 146 Aplin Street, Shamshui, was injured by a falling plank while unloading aboard the steamer Aletta berthed alongside the Asiatic Petroleum Company wharf at Taikoktsui.

## FOREST FIRE CHECKED

### CROSS WIND SAVES MALIBU BEACH

Los Angeles, Oct. 24. The forest fire which has been sweeping large tracts of Southern California has been checked, at least temporarily, by a cross wind. The damage so far caused is estimated at over \$1,000,000.—*Reuter*.

A United Press message says that the Malibu Beach settlement has been saved as a result of the shifting of the wind.

### BIRTH.

HILLYER.—At the French Hospital, on October 25th, 1935, to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hillyer, a daughter.

## MANILA AIRWAYS TERMINUS

CANTON FACILITIES  
REFUSED

## GOVERNMENT RELUCTANCE

Washington, Oct. 24. The Postmaster General, Mr. James Farley, to-day announced that the contract for the carrying of trans-Pacific air mails had been awarded to Pan-American Airways, only bidder.—*Reuter*.

### MANILA TERMINUS

Washington, Oct. 24. The Post Office to-day announced acceptance of the Pan-American Airways bid for air mail from San Francisco to Canton.

Assistant Postmaster General Branch said the Oriental terminus of the line would be temporarily established at Manila, and that mail boats would carry on from there to Canton and Hongkong. He said the postage to China would probably be \$1.00 for half an ounce, and from Hawaii and the Philippines proportionately less.

There are obstacles to obtaining landing facilities at Canton. First, the Chinese Government is reluctant because the Canton river front is densely populated and crowded with small shipping; secondly, China is reluctant because the precedent would complicate similar privileges to companies of other nations. It is understood that the first passenger flights by Pan-American planes will be in January next. Meanwhile test flights will be made from Alameda, California, to Manila in early November.—*United Press*.

## EMPLOYMENT IN U.S.

### HIGHEST FOR FIVE PAST YEARS

Washington, Oct. 24. According to the Department of Labour, industrial employment in September advanced to the highest level for five years.

No fewer than 350,000 idle workers returned to jobs, compared with an August gain of 155,000. Weekly pay rolls increased by more than twelve million dollars compared with August.

The major portion of the gain occurred in manufacturing industries and retail trade, each of which have absorbed about 150,000 workers.—*Reuter Special*.

## DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

PROGRESS IS A GROWTH ATTENDED BY HARDSHIPS AND ACHIEVED THROUGH PATIENCE AND SACRIFICE.—*Walter W. Van Kirk*.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts received the following quotations from their Manilla, 71 sellers; Baguio Golds, 16 sellers; Gold Rivers, 6 sellers.

The Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, C.M.G., and Mrs. Wellington, among the passengers arriving by the R.M.S. Empress of Japan. They are staying at the Gloucester Hotel prior to returning to No. 160, The Peak.

L. Gadd, driver of private car No. 2043, was this morning fined \$5 by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy, on a summons of leaving his car in Pedder Street on October 13, causing obstruction on October 13. It was stated that defendant had parked the car in a non-parking area opposite the hotel.

The wedding took place at the Wesleyan Methodist Church this afternoon of the Rev. Edward Henry Moody, of the Methodist Mission at Yunnan, and Miss Beatrice Stella Engle, of the English Baptist Mission at Sianfu, Shensi. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Budden, 5, Naval Terrace.

Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was passed upon Lau Yam, aged 44, unemployed, when he pleaded guilty before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to having committed a breach of the Deportation Ordinance. Defendant pleaded that he was only passing through on his way to Haiphong, and admitted two previous convictions for larceny and one for a breach of the Deportation Ordinance. Inspector Portallion prosecuted.

E. Fowler, of No. 10 Somerset Road, Kowloon Tong, was cautioned by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he appeared in answer to a summons for failing to have a red tail light on motor-cycle No. 752 in Nathan Road near Nanking Street at 10.30 p.m. on October 2. In a statement defendant admitted that his lights were dim, and his worship in cautioning him, asked him to remember that "the law is not satisfied by merely having a flicker in the lamp."

## TROUBLE OVER A GIRL

BARBER ON ASSAULT  
CHARGE

Charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with having assaulted The Hok-man and Tse Kam-chun, married women, at No. 20 Hanesay Road, Tse Yat-tong, a barber, was bound over in a personal bond of \$75 to be of good behaviour and to keep the peace for one year. Chow To-shum, a carpenter, was also charged, but pleaded he had gone to separate the combatants. His story was accepted by the police, and he was discharged with a caution.

Detective Sergeant D. Fitches said the first complainant struck the first defendant about 4 p.m. on Wednesday. The defendants were arrested when they were being chased by the first complainant and others on Wednesday night. It was alleged by the complainants that the daughter of the second complainant had not gone to school for the first sixteen days of this month, and she was found to have been visiting the first defendant at his flat. Allegations, which could not be proved, were made against the first defendant. The first complainant accordingly gave the first defendant a good thrashing on Wednesday, and later on the defendant, with a number of his friends, went to return the thrashing. They were repulsed by the complainant and his friends. There was no evidence to support the allegations made against the first defendant by the girl's mother. As for the second defendant, it was quite possible he was trying to pacify the parties.

Mr. Schofield bound the first defendant over in a bond, and also warned him to see to it that the little girl never came to his house again.

## WOOLWORTH CO. POLICY

### MAY RAISE PRICE RANGE

Washington, Oct. 24. The Woolworth Company is considering an increase in its price range to a maximum of forty cents, compared with the present twenty cents.

The idea is to broaden the field of the Company's business, and if it materialises this will be the second departure from the original policy to sell only articles at fifteen cents.—*Reuter Special*.

### NOBEL PRIZE

Stockholm, Oct. 24. The noted German, Dr. Spemann, of Freiburg, has been awarded the Nobel Prize for Medicine.—*Reuter*.

## COTTON PRICES SLUMP

NO PARTICULAR  
PRESSURE

## BUT SUPPORT LACKING

New York, Oct. 24. On the New York Cotton Exchange to-day, prices were three to eight points lower. There was no particular pressure on the market but support was smaller than usual. Buying by Wall Street and foreign interests dwindled during the afternoon with the trade supplying the buying from the South. Spot firms were selling. Hedging was moderate. Co-operative brokers liquidated 15,000 bales of May and July delivery. There were no indications that the Government pool was yet switching from December delivery.

### EXPORTS GREATER

Washington, Oct. 24. The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Henry Wallace to-day said that the exports of cotton from the United States were the greatest over, and that the only obstruction to large shipments was the lack of ships.

He attributed the increase to last year's sub-normal purchases which left foreign supplies one-third of normal.

He declined to consider that the demand was due to war threats despite the fact that Britain, Japan, and Germany and Italy were the principal buyers.

The Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Mr. J. Monroe Johnson said that efforts were being made to arrange for the use of nine Shipping Board vessels which are at present tied up at New Orleans.

For the week ended October 19 cotton exports amounted to 138,000 bales which is an increase of 24 per cent. compared with the corresponding period in 1934.

Exports since September 1 to date amounted to 1,140,000 bales as compared with 1,113,000 for the corresponding period in 1934.—*United Press*.

### CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Oct. 24. Wheat prices moved in a narrow range. The market had a firm undertone but the absence of outside buying prevented the advance.—*United Press*.

## KEEPING OUT OF TROUBLE

### CAUTIOUS U. S. NOTE TO LEAGUE

Washington, Oct. 24. It is understood that Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, and President Roosevelt have agreed on the substance of the United States reply to the League of Nations' recent note regarding sanctions against Italy.

It is reliably stated that the note merely recapitulates the United States' action under the Neutrality Act, while refraining from any comment whatever on the League proposals to end the conflict.—*Reuter*.

## COAL MINING DISPUTE

### BOTH SIDES WANT PEACE

London, Oct. 24. The Minister of Mines, Capt. Crookshank, in the course of a House of Commons answer, said during the last few days he had had meetings with representatives of the mineowners and miners and had found on both sides a sincere desire to avoid the disaster of an industrial conflict.

He was still in touch with them, and in those circumstances was unable at present to say anything further.—*British Wireless*.

### LORD MORRIS DEAD

London, Oct. 24. Lord Morris, Prime Minister of Newfoundland from 1909 to 1918, and a member of the British War Cabinet, died in London to-day, aged 77.—*British Wireless*.

### LONG-DISTANCE PHONE

London, Oct. 24. Telephone messages between London and Ceylon have been exchanged between the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, and the Acting Governor of Ceylon, Sir Graeme Tyrrell.—*British Wireless*.

## RADIO BROADCAST

Davertry Relay of B.B.C.  
Dance Orchestra

### PIANOFORTE RECITAL

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 365 metres (845 kilocycles):  
4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.  
7.7.22 p.m. Military Band

Selections:  
Swan Lake Ballet (Tchaikovsky).  
Poet and Peasant Overture (Suppe, arr. Bedford).  
The Jolly Robbers Overture (Suppe).  
Songs of Wales.  
8 p.m. Time and Weather Report.  
7.32-8.20 p.m. Variety.  
Vocal—Musketiers Melodist.  
The Four Musketeers.  
Organ Solos—By a Waterfall.  
Organ Solos—My Song goes round the world.

Frederic Bayco.  
Orchestra—Romantic Waltz Medley.  
Orchestra—Sweet Memories.  
Song—Lovely to Look at ("Roberta").  
Irene Dunn (Soprano).  
Orchestra—The Bir Broadcast of 1934 Selection.  
Song—One Night of Love.  
Master Robert Harris (Boy Soprano).  
8.20-8.40 p.m. From the Studio.  
A Pianoforte Recital by Liya Gurevitch.

Programme.  
1. At the Slippers . . . . . Turina.  
(a) Hans Sienk.  
(b) The Marquise's Silken Slippers.  
(c) The Peasant's Boots.  
(d) Greek Sandals.  
(e) The shoes of the Ballet Dancer.  
(f) The Dainty shoes of her ladyship.

(g) Shoes of a Toreador. . . . . Gossec.  
2. Tambourin . . . . . Albéniz.  
3. Jota aragonesa . . . . . Albéniz.  
8.40-9 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.  
9 p.m. A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by *Reuter*).

9.15-10 p.m. From the Studio.  
A 40th Recital of Gramophone Records by the Rev. C. B. R. Sargent.  
10 p.m. Big Ben: Press Bulletins.  
10.05-11 p.m. Dance Music.  
11 p.m. Close Down.

### ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

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Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

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South Asia Zone broadcast from DJB (19.74 metres) and DJN (81.65 metres).  
DJN 19.74 m. 15.30 to 1.55 p.m.  
DJB 19.74 m. 15.30 to 1.55 p.m.  
DJN 31.45 m. 9.50 to 4.45-8.15 p.m.  
DJN 19.74 m. 15.30 to 1.55 p.m.  
4.45 p.m. DJB, DJN (German).  
English: German Folk Song, Programme Forecast (German, English).

5 p.m. Chamber Orchestra.  
5.30 p.m. News in English.  
5.45 p.m. Brass Band.  
6.45 p.m. News in German.  
7 p.m. Concert of Light Music.  
8 p.m. News in English.  
8.15 p.m. Close Down. DJB, DJN (German, English).

**EAST ASIA ZONE**  
East Asia Zone broadcast through DJQ on 19.65 metres (15,280 k.c.) 1.50-3 p.m. Concert, news at 3 p.m.  
9 p.m. DJA, DJB, DJN (German, English).  
German Folk Song, Programme Forecast (German, English).

9.15 p.m. Concert of Light Music.  
9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.  
10 p.m. Brass Band.  
11 p.m. Common-Literary before Self.  
11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA, DJB, DJN, DJC, DJD (German, English).  
11.30 p.m. Current Events.  
11.45 p.m. Songs to the Virgin.  
12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.  
12.30 a.m. Close DJA, DJN (German, English).

### DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

To-day's Broadcasting From Four Transmissions

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry.  
Call Sign Frequency Wave-length  
GSA 4.500 k.c. 66.7 metres  
GBN 9.510 k.c. 31.55 metres  
GRC 9.585 k.c. 31.30 metres  
GSD 11.720 k.c. 25.55 metres  
GSE 12.000 k.c. 25.00 metres  
GSP 16.140 k.c. 18.52 metres  
GSG 17.720 k.c. 16.93 metres  
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GSI 25.260 k.c. 11.88 metres  
GSJ 25.410 k.c. 11.85 metres  
GSL 6.110 k.c. 49.10 metres

Transmission 5  
(G.S.B. and G.S.G.)  
7 a.m. Big Ben, "How's That?" Half-an-hour's quick-change variety.  
7.40 a.m. A Pianoforte Recital by Edwin Benbow.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 8 a.m.  
8 a.m. "High Spots—No. 1." A descriptive commentary by Clifford Collinson overlooking Hyde Park and London at mid-morning from the roof of the Royal Albert Hall.  
8.15 a.m. An Organ Recital by Allison Brander, from the Concert Hall, Broadcasting House.  
8.45 a.m. The News.  
9 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 6  
(G.S.D., G.S.C. and G.S.L.)  
11 a.m. Big Ben Interlude.  
11.15 a.m. Gospel Sermon—4th Edition. Compiled and composed by Cecil Madden. Consisting of types, verses, comedy, sketches, music, stunts, and novelties.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 11.30 a.m.  
11.45 a.m. The News.  
12 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2  
(G.S.J., G.S.H. and G.S.G.)  
7 p.m. Big Ben, An Organ Recital, relayed from the Royal, Kingston-on-Thames.  
7.30 p.m. "Gospel Hour—4th Edition." Compiled and composed by Cecil Madden. Consisting of types, verses, comedy, sketches, music, stunts, and novelties.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.  
8.10 p.m. The Trocadero Cinema Orchestra, directed by Alfred Van Dam. Relayed from the Trocadero Cinema, London.  
8.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.  
8.40 p.m. The News and Announcements.  
9 p.m. The Birmingham Hippodrome Orchestra, conducted by Harry



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### Transmission 3

(G.S.G., 10-11.45 p.m.; G.S.E. 10 p.m.-1 a.m.)  
G.S.E. 12.1 a.m.  
10 p.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.  
The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra, leader, Alfred Barker; conductor, T. H. Morrison.  
11.15 p.m. Sports Talk.  
11.30 p.m. "Lighter" or "More Shady." More popular variety presented by William MacLure.  
12.15 p.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra, leader, A. Rossi; under the direction of Emilio Colombo. Relayed from the Hotel Metropole, London.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 p.m.  
12.30 p.m. The News and Announcements.  
12.50 p.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra (cont'd).  
1 a.m. Close down.

### Transmission 4

(G.S.D. and G.S.D.)

1.15 a.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.  
2 a.m. The News and Announcements.  
2.20 a.m. Interlude, Dennis Noble (Paris).  
2.30 a.m. Waltz Music. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra, conducted by Kneale Jolley.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.  
3.30 a.m. A Celine Dion-Taylor Programme.

### KING TO BE REPRESENTED AT MEMORIAL SERVICE

London, Oct. 24. At the Memorial Service for the late Mr. Arthur Henderson at Westminster Abbey to-morrow the King will be represented by the Earl of Munster, and members of the Diplomatic Corps, Cabinet Ministers, ex-Ministers, Members of Parliament and representatives of organisations with which Mr. Henderson was associated will attend.—*British Wireless*.

### Frank Titterton (Tenor). The B.B.C. Orchestra (Section D), conducted by Joseph Lewis.

Greenwich Time Signal at 4 a.m.

4.30 a.m. Organ Recital.

5 a.m. Close down.

### PART II

5.15 a.m. The Alfredo Campbell Trio. Olive (Soprano).

6 a.m. Talk. "I Know a Man."

6.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.

6.40 a.m. Interlude.

6.45 a.m. Close down.



## FORMATION OF LOCAL BILLIARDS ASSOCIATION

## LI BROTHERS HAVE A SUCCESSFUL DAY

SEVERAL NOTABLE WINS AT THE RECENT RACE MEETING

LI TSE-FONG ONLY OWNER TO HAVE WON DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

(By "CAPTAIN FOSTER")

The outstanding feature of the Tenth Extra Race Meeting held at the Happy Valley last Saturday under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club was the high success of the Li family, who won five races out of eight on the card and on top of this "joss" they had three seconds and four thirds.

Mr. Li Shui-pang started the ball rolling in the second race, the Queensland Handicap "A" Class with Racing Heart, and Soldier of Peace was second in the Connaught Handicap "C" Class.

Mr. Li Tse-fong, who was the only owner to register two wins, won the Daily Double Event with Pacific Hall and High Speed, and the combination paid \$725.10 to the five successful punters. Mr. G. U. da Rosa, who was the only jockey to score a double, nursed Pacific Hall and High Speed to a nice win and he is to be congratulated for being the first jockey to win the first and second legs of the Daily Double Event in the same afternoon.

The highest dividend of the "part" was provided by a black pony, High Speed, which paid \$114.60. Mr. Li Tse-fong's third success was in the Ballarat Handicap when his filly, Lady Southern, won the Handicap for third place Stake money.

## OTHER SUCCESSES

Mr. Li Lan-sung, who is the owner of the "Venus" Stable, had the pleasure of leading in five ponies, Bright View, won the Wyndham Handicap, and Goswick's Beauty and Harvest View were second in the October Handicap and the Calve Handicap respectively, while Night View and Jungle Jim each earned \$100 to pay for their upkeep.

The last feather to the Li's cap was added by Mr. Li Shui-pang in the last race when his son Mr. Li Fuk-tai rode his own pony, Mayflower, to win the Bonham Handicap, while Hearts Glory owned by Mr. Li Fuk-wing (eldest son of Mr. Li Shui-pang) was third in the same race with Mr. Coppin up.

The Li Brothers received a great ovation when the three placed ponies, High Speed, Soldier of Peace and Jungle Jim, in the second leg of the Daily Double Event (Connaught Handicap) were led in by Messrs. Li Tse-fong, Li Shui-pang and Li Lan-sung respectively.

## FAVOURITES' BAD DAY

Although the attendance was not so good as at the Double Tenth Meeting, the racing was of very high standard with several exciting and close finishes, and with the exception of Liberty Day, all the top weights and a poor day owing to the slippery going and the favourites let punters down badly.

Once again Mr. Tang Man-wai, taking the advantage of five lbs. allowance, won the Rain Gauge, opened the Meeting with a handsome return of \$51.40 when he won in the Paddock Handicap by the narrow margin of a short head and as the judges could not see the winner, and Ebony Idol, the States money for second and third places was shared equally. The finish was really very exciting for The Rain Gauge, Forgemaster, Ebony Idol, Tin Ho and The Duennet passed the Winning Post almost in a line.

Mr. Tang deserves a pat on the back for his handling of the pony and he needs only one more win to put him out of the novice class.

## SURPRISES CAUSED

Immediately the weighing in bell had gone for the Queensland Cup (Six Furlongs) Mr. Clifton, who was a few drops of water from above and this caused many upsets during the afternoon. It seems incredible that Racing Heart, the favourite, who had been placed in any of his outings under the distance of a mile since 1933, Racing Heart was known to be good from a mile upwards and he certainly did spring a surprise on the experts by winning the sprint race, beating such stalwarts as Bonlake Star, Atlas and Derby Day, all very good over short distances.

Racing Heart's time, namely 1.17.4, was only two-fifths outside the record held by Bonlake Star, Derby Day, the red hot favourite, set a terrific pace at the release of the barriers but when entering the straight, he suddenly collapsed and finished a very bad fourth.

The main event, October Handicap, attracted only five starters and it was a tame affair. Liberty Day won as he pleased. Gladstone, the favourite, did not like racing last Saturday and finished a very bad fourth. Goswick's Beauty ran well to pay \$17.10 for a win.

A good start was seen in the Wyndham Handicap and, passing the Judge's Box for the first time, Klug's Beauty and Hattman who were leading the field were going strong, but up the incline, Klug's Beauty was labouring. Down the decline, Hattman was at the front with Bright View, Sacko and The Tiger at the rear. In (Continued on Page 9.)

## RONNIE GERRARD ENGAGED

FORMER HONGKONG BOY IN ENGLAND

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY PLAYER.

(By "Sagax")

Local residents will be interested to learn that a former Hongkong boy, born and educated in the Colony, but now living in England, is shortly to be married.

Ronnie Gerrard, the English rugby international, and captain of Bath and Somerset, is engaged to be married to Miss Molly Taylor, of Bath.

R. A. Gerrard who has played seven times for England is now an engineer while Miss Taylor is an architect. It is many years now since Gerrard left Hongkong where he was born, the son of the late Mr. W. G. Gerrard, formerly Assistant Superintendent of Police in Hongkong.

Ronnie was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School and in 1927 went to Taunton School, Somerset. He is a brilliant all round sportsman and has won many championships at different games but it was at rugby that he has been able to secure the highest honours.

Up to the time he went to Taunton Gerrard had neither seen nor played Rugby football, and proof that he is a born player is evident from the fact that, while still a schoolboy, he made such progress that the County claimed his services.

He has played with unfailing regularity for Somerset ever since. After his school he became attached to Messrs. Coles Bros. of Bath, and, of course, became a regular member of the Bath First XV.

## SELECTED FOR ENGLAND

In 1931 the English selectors availed to the fact that he was a perfect foot centre—strong, heavy (he then weighed 13 stone), fast, clever and resourceful, with a terrific hand-off—was to be found in the West, and accordingly they put him in both the English trials that season.

They soon decided he was a "find" and he made his debut in international football, playing for England against the South African Tourists at Twickenham on January 2, 1932.

His display on that occasion brought him high praise and his place in the England XV henceforward was assured.

That is a brief summary of his career in the game, but what has played Rugby at 15 and at 19 to be singled out for the highest recognition a player can expect—the honour of playing for his country, or at least for the country of his adoption.

As a cricketer, swimmer, tennis player, rifle shooter, athlete and footballer, Gerrard has taken a prominent part in the sporting activities of first his school, and then his club.

It may here be mentioned that in 1929 and 1930 he won the Public Schools putting-the-weight championship at Stamford Bridge. It was at putting-the-weight that the late Mr. W. G. Gerrard excelled whilst in Hongkong where he won the championship regularly each year.

## OXFORD RUGBY VICTORY

EASY WIN AGAINST NEWPORT

London, Oct. 24.

Playing at Oxford today, the University's rugby fifteen won against Newport by twelve points to nil.—Reuter.

Mrs. R. W. Bradbury will distribute the Prizes at the annual "At Home" of the Cricketers' Cricket Club on Sunday, October 27. There will be bowls and tennis, followed by a tea dance.



Members of the Malayan football team which arrived in Hongkong by the President Hoover yesterday from Shanghai. The side played the Army at Soekumpoo later in the afternoon and then sailed by the Hoover for Manila. Inside: Rowlands, the Army goalkeeper, snatching the ball from one of the Chinese players who is seen about to head for goal. (Photographer Mess Cheung.)

## ARMY'S FOOTBALL WIN AGAINST THE MALAYANS

LACK OF FINESSE IS LOSERS' WEAKNESS

BEATEN BY TWO GOALS TO ONE IN SECOND HALF AFTER EARLY LEAD

(By SAGAX)

2 Malaya

Army:—Rowlands; Swain and Steele; Keneghan, Lawton and North Clayton, Sandford, Higgins, Ridley and Baldry.  
Malaya:—Wong Kam-pak; Chiu Guan-lean and Tan Kai-tan; Kee Yew-leng (captain); R. Leon in second half; Kan Tuck-see and Lim Shuee-chun; Toh Ah-chee, Lee Ee-yow, Shia Keng-hock, Yeow Sin-wah and Choy Khun-onn.

A delightful exhibition of football was given by the Malayan Chinese team which passed through the Colony yesterday after its recent visit to Shanghai for the National Games, in which the team was runners-up to the Hongkong Contingent for the Soccer Championship.

The Southerners who arrived on board the President Hoover yesterday played the Army at Soekumpoo in the afternoon and lost by two goals to one after they had had a slightly greater part of the play.

An opportunist, a centre-forward with a reputation for his responsibilities to his other forwards, would have made all the difference between defeat and victory to the Malaysians in their match yesterday for it was a game of golden opportunities, going begging, practically throughout, but particularly during the early part of the second half, when the Chinese out-maneuvred their opponents only to fall because of lack of finesse.

## MALAYA'S LEADER

It is no exaggeration to say that the Chinese were the better players and were more than a match for their opponents in so far as skill and tactics were concerned but it was in taking full advantage of the openings which were made that the soldiers proved the more adept and consequently scored two goals against their opponents' solitary point.

The defeat of the Chinese players can be laid at the feet of their very clever but ineffective centre-forward, Chia Keng-hock, whose inability to lend his men to victory was due, not to his lack of skill, for he possessed all the requisites of a brilliant centre-forward, but to his selfishness and bad ball distribution.

For a greater part of the game Chia was continuously taking the ball down the field and making openings but it was when the time arrived for a pass that he was slow in distributing the ball to his outside men, Toh Ah-chee, on the right wing, being particularly neglected when he was often favourably placed.

## A NEW LEE WAI-TONG?

Chia arrived in the Colony with the reputation of being a new Lee Wai-tong and although the local Chinese followers of the game realised that here was a player greatly rivaling the wizardry of the South China player, it was plainly seen that Chia, in their estimation, is no comparison to their idol.

Chia is a master mind at centre-forward and when it comes to a

## MOVE TO PROMOTE IN THE COLONY

ORGANISED COMPETITION. MAIN OBJECTIVE

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT TO BE RESUSCITATED

(By "Sagax")

Organised billiards competitions conducted by a controlling body is the object of a number of well-known local sportsmen who are endeavouring to form an association for the purpose of putting the game in Hongkong on a sound footing than it is at present.

In the past various local organisations have taken it upon themselves to enter for the needs of Hongkong sportsmen and have conducted different tournaments, but, except for the efforts of the Victoria Recreation Club many years ago, competitive billiards has never become an accomplished fact.

It is well nigh ten years now that the V.R.C. stopped organising the Colony Championship and there has never been another club since which has been able to conduct these competitions with the same regularity. A few years ago the St. Patrick's Club ran the Colony Championship but their lease was short and now there is no organised billiards in the Colony.

It seems a sad omission as there are easily more billiards enthusiasts, good, bad and indifferent, than adherents of any other indoor game in the Colony and for such a popular pastime to be completely without any organised effort is no credit to the enterprise of players in Hongkong.

## MEETING BEING CALLED

There are at least twenty clubs or messes in Hongkong who are constantly organising friendly matches against other teams and there seems little doubt that any attempt to form an Association with a view to promoting billiards in the Colony will receive the ardent support of all followers of the green table game.

The move to form an association is being initiated by several keen billiards players who are anxious to see various tournaments organised each year for the benefit of the great number of people who patronise the game. In the very near future a meeting will be called, inviting the attendance of anybody who might be interested in the formation of Hongkong Billiards Association and the scheme will then be fully discussed. In addition to the organisation of an annual open championship a league will also be run while other activities will follow in due course. One of our leading local clubs is prepared to sponsor the meeting and Secretaries of organisations are advised to watch out for an announcement of the date, time and place of the meeting.

## YOUNG FOOTBALL PLAYER

J. Harley Makes His Debut At 18.

Liverpool had a League debutante against West Bromwich Albion who was one of the youngest and biggest players in first-class football. He is J. Harley, who is only 18, stands 6ft. 1in., and weighs 13st. Harley signed for Liverpool as a professional last season. He is a noted sprinter, and has taken part in the Powderhall Handicap. He took the place of Dabbs at right back, as Cooper, the international, was not able to play for about a month owing to a broken bone in his hip.

## O'DOWD FOR FRANCE

A Loss To The English Game

Peter O'Dowd, the Chelsea and former Burnley and Blackburn Rovers centre-half, has left England to sign for Valenciennes, a French club.

O'Dowd, who was put on the transfer list at his own request, was capped for England against Scotland in 1932 and against Ireland in 1933. He cost Chelsea £5,000 when they signed him from Burnley in 1931.

It is reported that he was offered £200 for his signature as a Valenciennes player and £10 per week, plus bonus, for the rest of the season.

Two years ago O'Dowd, who is

## COCHET'S RETURN TO COLONY

PROGRAMME FOR EXHIBITIONS

DEMONSTRATIONS CANCELLED

M. Henri Cochet, French professional tennis ace, arrived Hongkong this morning to play on the Kowloon C.C. ground next week.

He is accompanied by Mr. Francisco Aragon, Filipino tennis ace, who will also play a series of matches in Hongkong. M. Cochet is leaving for Canton tonight and will probably go direct from there to Macao. He will be back here next week, however.

M. Cochet stated on his arrival by the President McKinley this morning that he found the standard of play in the Philippines very high, the highest anywhere he had yet experienced in the Far East. The people were also very enthusiastic and at one match over 7,000 spectators had been present.

Mr. Aragon, said the French ace, was a player of a particularly high standard. Future plans for the famous tennis player are somewhat vague at present, but the exhibition matches will take place next week.

Probably Cochet and Madame Cochet, who is accompanying her husband, will leave for Australia by the Nellore, sailing from Hongkong for Sydney on November 1. There will then follow a tour of the whole of Australia. So far the arrangements in Australia have not been finalised and who the Frenchman will meet is unknown. It depends on what attitude the Australians take to the professional whether he will be able to meet famous Australian amateur Davis Cup champions.

## TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

A tentative programme has been drawn up for the local appearances of Cochet and his party for next week on the Kowloon Cricket Club's court.

On Monday Cochet will meet R. Canavaro in a three set match while on Tuesday F. Aragon will play Canavaro and on Wednesday Cochet will meet Aragon. On each day after the singles match there is to be a doubles match.

The exhibitions will commence at 3 p.m. on each of the three days. It is understood that there is no time for any demonstrations which have been cancelled, as Cochet leaves for Australia on Saturday, November 2.

## CREWS OUT AT HENLEY

Oxford made several experiments in the order of rowing during their Boat Race training at Henley, recently. In one of them, R. Hope, of New College, the President, was given a trial on the stroke side of the boat; hitherto he had been rowing on the bow side.

Two crews went out under the supervision of Brigadier-General J. H. Gibbon and Mr. H. Mosley, while Mr. Peter Halk Thomas held a "watching brief."

The eights paddled down to Temple Island and back. They came up the Regatta course together, and D. M. de R. Winer's crew showed good form.

A native of Halifax, was hailed as the best centre-half in England. He was an attacking half-back, however, and the Chelsea policy of employing a "stopper" or third-back, soon resulted in Craig superseding him.



## EXTRA CRICKET TRIAL NEXT SUNDAY

### TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE INTERPORT WITH SHANGHAI

#### A MOST INTRIGUING PROBLEM IN A SUB-COMMITTEE'S FINDING

(By R. Abbit)

The holding of an extra trial on Sunday next at the Kowloon C. C. is a most excellent arrangement and fits in rather with a few casual remarks of mine the other day. I do not of course suggest that they led to it. Far be such conceit from me. I am quite sure that my good friends the Authorities did it in spite of, rather than owing to my remarks.

But it gives us an excellent chance of getting in the trial that the weather did us out of on Saturday last, and it is most devoutly to be hoped that there is a fine week-end. The names of the players have already been published. I have only to observe that there are three or four playing on Saturday and one or two on Sunday who have as much chance of playing in the Interport as I have. I am glad to see that Melnia gets another show, but I am wondering what unfortunate chance, for so I fancy it must be, keeps E. R. Duckitt and J. P. Williams out of a place in either game. Beyond this, I have nothing to say. Dawson is a new-comer and I understand has a crooked shoulder which rather handicaps his throwing. He is said to be an excellent bat.

#### A QUEER CONUNDRUM

Some time ago I promised to print in these notes some interesting facts which can be found in cricket records. One of the most intriguing problems I print hereunder, and I should be very glad to ventilate any of my reader's views on the subject. The "contentious" matter is a finding of a Sub-Committee of the Advisory County Cricket Committee which met on April 26, 1929 to consider certain proposed changes in the laws of the game. The real stake at issue was the proposal of the Hon. R. H. Lytton to vary the l.b.w. rule to that which last season (1935) has been tried in County Cricket. In view of the very weighty decisions which were made I will quote the personnel of the Sub-Committee: Lord Harris was chairman and the members were the Hon. F. S. G. Calthorpe, J. W. H. T. Douglas, P. T. Ekersley, G. A. Faulkner, A. E. R. Gilligan, W. H. H. Jupp, Hon. R. H. Lytton, C. T. A. Wilkinson and Captain W. A. Worsley. These gentlemen decided against Mr. Lytton's proposal, but they dealt with several other matters of cricket law. They legalised the "snick" l.b.w. and they also committed themselves to a dictum which runs as follows:

"There appears to be a very general opinion that there is a law, or an instruction, that when an umpire is in doubt he is to give the batsman the benefit of the doubt. This is entirely erroneous. There is no such law and in only a particular case, any instruction which can be so construed. That is where one umpire, being unsighted refers to his colleague. In such case if the second umpire is also unable to give a decision, the instruction is that the existing state of things is to continue. It would be entirely inappropriate to apply this to any case where an umpire has to and does decide for himself—i.e., the vast majority of cases."

This dictum carefully mentions law or instruction and therefore includes those explanations and rulings which the M.C.C. first issued to umpires in 1923. I quoted it from the first number of the 1929 "Cricket" published on May 4, and it is referred to,

#### SPORT ADVTs.

##### CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB REMINDER

Annual "At Home" and Distribution of Prizes on SUNDAY, the 27th October, 1935. Bow and Tennis to be followed by Dance.

without comment, in the 1930 Wisden which deals with cricket history in 1929. So far, so good. It seems pretty easy, doesn't it? But now turn to an instruction printed in the 1923 list. I quote it from the 1930 Wisden which referred to the Sub-Committee's dictum as I mentioned above.

#### THE OTHER UMPIRE

"An umpire is only justified in appealing to the other umpire when he is unable to decide owing to his having been prevented from seeing the occurrence on which the appeal is based. He is not to appeal to the other umpire in cases in which he could give a decision merely because he is unwilling to give that decision. If he is in any doubt, the principle laid down in Law 43 'that the existing state of things shall continue' shall be followed, and, in consequence, the decision should be in favour of the batsman." Now unless the "he" of "if he is in any doubt" refers to the other umpire, which seems extraordinarily clumsy grammar, I cannot possibly reconcile the dictum of the Sub-Committee and the instruction quoted. I now put the matter in my readers' hands and trust some cricket lawyers will be able to elucidate that matter. I might add that the statement of a prominent cricketer here that the qualified Sub-Committee were talking through their adjectival hat is not considered to be elucidation!

#### TEAM SELECTION

After my remarks on Tuesday on the question of team-picking I was interested to see the team that "R.H.B." sent in on that day. Unfortunately he did not give any reasons for his selections. His team I think is not very far off what we shall see in the match. There are two points I consider doubtful in the side. The first is the inclusion of both Bowler and Pereira. I know I stated some time ago that I was not prepared to make them alternative choices, but since then I have been so impressed by the weakness of our batting that I incline to think that one or other of them must give way to a steady bat. To my mind, Kanavia is the man who should go in. He catches the ball as well as any man in the Colony and he has a good deal of experience of Shanghai bowling as he was at one time stationed there. The other point is that I can see no grounds whatever for selecting Ernie Fincher in preference to Clive Garthwaite. Mind, I do not say that either of them should be in but if it comes to a show down between the two men, Garthwaite is a far steadier if less brilliant than Fincher, he is little if anything in error in his fielding, while he is an excellent stock bowler, swinging with the new ball and always keeping a steady length; while from the Interport point of view Fincher does not bowl. However it is very interesting to read all the selections, and I shall feel a bit clever on Monday next, given a fine week-end. I hope to publish my usual account of the games on Tuesday.

The Interport match, as at present arranged, will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 9, and play on that day will be from 11-12.30 p.m. and from 1.15 to 5 p.m. The same times will operate on Tuesday, November 12, if the match lasts over to that day. On Monday, November 11, Armistice Day, the hours of play will be 11.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 1.45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Presumably November 13 and 14 are available in case the weather intervenes, but otherwise I cannot see the match lasting more than three days. In that case no doubt the usual matches Shanghai vs. K.C.C. and Shanghai vs. United Services will have a day each. The K.C.C. will, I presume, play their military members as usual.



Al. Jolson and Ruby Keeler in the Warner Bros. musical triumph "Casino de Paris", which opens at the Queen's Theatre to-day.

## LI BROTHERS HAVE SUCCESSFUL DAY

### Several Notable Victories At Race Meeting

(Continued from Page 8.)

the straight Mr. Fung called upon Bright View for a final sprint. The pony responded gamely to pass the winning post a length ahead of Sadko and The Tiger. Mr. Frost rode a strong finish but the weight on the old timer, Sadko, told at the finish.

#### DISAPPOINTING DISPLAY

The going last Saturday was not to Foxbridge's liking and under the circumstances it was only to be expected that he gave a very disappointing display in the Casino Handicap, which was the first leg of the Daily Double Event. The field was small but in the home run, the fight between Pacific Hall, Harvest View and Night View was very exciting and the finish was a tribute to the official adjuster. If Night View, who was third, had not weighed out with 8 lbs. more than allotted, he should have won as the margin of defeat was only a neck and a short head. The publication of weights for any Meeting has always been, and always will be a subject of criticism and debate, and no handicapper can ever expect any sympathy from an owner.

However, it will serve no purpose to enlarge further on the subject but when a heavily backed pony goes out with more poundage than the allotment, I am of the opinion that members of the betting public have cause to grouse.

#### CARRY OVER WEIGHT

In the case of Night View, Mr. Fung could have done 140 lbs. on this pony without any trouble but instead he was given Harvest View where he had to carry over 60 lbs. "dead-weight" and Mr. Liang had to declare 8 lbs. over-weight. It can be argued that there is no legislation in the matter of carrying over-weights but what about the members of the betting public who are supporters? In the

two named maintained their positions up the incline and the first half-a-mile was covered in 1.00.3/5 which is very fast for "C" Class ponies.

After passing the famous Black Rock, Jungle Jim, Mistake Bay and Pontiac Bay were prominent with the two "Soldiers" at the rear. At this juncture, Victoria Hall, the pace maker, dropped to the middle of the bunch and Valorous was seen to move up a bit. The field started to spread out when entering the straight and the weight was telling on Mistake Bay and Pontiac Bay for both of them were labouring under pressure. Valorous came through these two ponies and had to take the outside berth to join the fight for the home run.

#### A DELAYED START

There was a delay in starting the Ballarat Handicap confined to "B" Class Aussies for Snowy River refused to line up with the field and eventually the barrier was released. Halcyon was leading at the half-a-mile post, followed by Vixen Tor, High Finance and the rest. Coming into the straight, Streamline took the command, but only for a few strides, when he was challenged by Vixen Tor on the outside. At the Distance Post, Vixen Tor went into the lead and never looked back. There was a good fight between Streamline, High Finance and Halcyon for places, and Lady Southern's chestnut gelding was just nosed out for a place. Snowy River, apart from a bad start, was never in the race and it seemed the going was not to her liking.

#### THE SECOND LEG

Much interest was centred in the Comnaught Handicap over a Mile for "C" Class Ponies as this race was for the second leg of the Daily Double Event and there were 98 successful punters on Pacific Hall out of a total of 824 tickets sold. These 98 backers had 14 ponies from which to select their second leg and there were only five tickets on High Speed who was the only 14 lb. pony in the field. When the Telegraph Board was hoisted, High Speed's weight was originally shown as 148 lbs. (the total being 143 lbs.) but was eventually altered to 149 lbs. However, it was the most exciting event of the afternoon and by the time that this race was run, the course, especially from the last quarter bend to the Winning Post, was badly cut up.

At the release of the barrier, Victoria Hall took the lead and was followed by High Speed with the rest of the field in close attendance. The

#### RAN A GOOD RACE

Valorous ran a very good race. It must be said that Mr. Roza was at the top of his form and rode a very fine race on the winner owing to the fact that he set a terrific pace for the first half mile of the journey. The three placed ponies were led in by Messrs. Li Tse-fong, Li Shui-pang and Li Lan-sung and they and the jockeys received a great ovation.

Another big field was seen in the last race, the Bonham Handicap from the Two Mile Post, once round and in, confined to "D" Class ponies to be ridden by novices and there were 15 starters. Mr. Li Tse-fong who is the son of Mr. Li Shui-pang rode a wonderful race on the winner, Mayflower, and he needs only one more win to put him among the experts. Mr. Choy Wing-hay who was unplaced with Plain View must secure two more wins before he is entitled to have his name in black letters on the Telegraph Board.

## GAMES BELONG TO ATHLETES

### U.S. WILL SEND TEAM TO BERLIN

#### 1936 OLYMPIAD

(Special to "Telegraph")

Chicago, Oct. 24.

Mr. Brundage, one of the officials of the United States Olympic Committee, said that the United States would definitely participate in the Berlin Olympiad next year.

He said "The Games belong to athletes, not politicians. Sportsmen will not tolerate using clean sport as a vehicle to transplant an Old World hatred in the United States.—United Press.

### ARMY CRICKET ELEVEN

#### TO MEET UNIVERSITY TO-MORROW

The following will represent the Army Cricket eleven against the Hongkong University at Pokfulam to-morrow afternoon:

Capt. L. J. Welch, Lieut. J. P. Williams, Lieut. J. A. M. Rice, Evans, Lieut. J. Murphy, C. S. M. Elvin, Capt. King, Fusilier King, Bandsman Cox, Bandsman Whitehead, Serjt. Lewis and Pte. Botting.

Pte. Hignell will umpire and Corp. Pedley score.

## POLO CLUB'S GYMKHANA

### Tentative Date In Event Of Postponement

Should it be necessary on account of unfavourable weather to postpone the Hongkong Polo Club Gymkhana due to be held at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow, the Programme will be carried out on Sunday November 3 at the same time and place.

#### FRIENDLY HOCKEY

### Club de Recreio's Team For Monday

"The Club de Recreio hockey team against Navy "A", next Monday at King's Park, 6 p.m. will be as follows:

N. Faria; A. A. dos Remedios and A. J. Basto; J. Goncalves, W. A. Reed and A. A. R. Botelho; F. Nolasco, A. M. Xavier, B. T. Gosano, N. Beltrao and A. S. Xavier.

#### A Word To Athletes!

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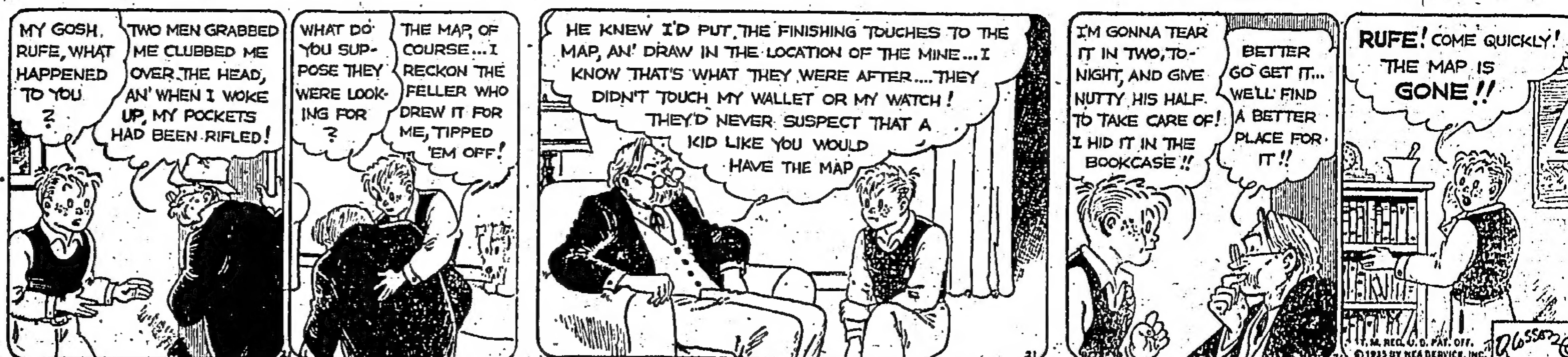
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## SERIAL STORY

# DONNA THE BIG TOP

by BEULAH POYNTER

### BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

DONNA GABRIEL and MADELINE SID. DAL who call themselves "The Gabriel Sisters" are travelling performers with a circus. When Madeline's grandfather who is blind asks her to spend a week-end at his farm she persuades Donna to go instead. Donna, pretending to be Madeline's cousin, falls in love with BILL BIDDAL, Madeline's cousin. CON DAVID, animal trainer, is devoted to Donna, but she regards him merely as a friend. Madeline loves Con and schemes to win him.

Donna falls from the trapeze and is injured. Madeline wires Bill to come for her and begs Donna to continue the impersonation. Bill takes Donna to the farm, recuperate. MRS. LANGLEY, the housekeeper, is suspicious of the girl.

Donna grows stronger and soon is able to get about in a wheel chair.

### CHAPTER XI

Ned Trafford was surly and belligerent. Irritable without provocation. Twice Renfro had caught him under the influence of liquor and threatened him with a "notice" if he ever caught him drinking again. But Trafford avoided Madeline and, as the days went by, her fear of him lessened and gradually died.

She concluded the circusman was more afraid of what she might say or do than she was afraid of him. Nevertheless Madeline remained convinced that Trafford had been responsible for Donna's fall and she told Con David this. The result was that Con hated Trafford with a deadly, silent hatred that made him careless and bitter and even cruel to the snarling beasts that helped him earn his living.

Renfro had watched Madeline performing on the trapeze alone and, since business was bad and there was a prospect of Donna's return, he had decided to let Madeline remain in the show as a "single". One Gabriel sister did not make a feature act, but the cut in salary helped a little.

Madeline knew Con's interest in her was due to the fact that he could get news of Donna through her, but his very indifference only spurred Madeline's determination to win him.

In every conceivable manner she contrived to keep him near her. She made rarebits or sandwiches and invited Con into her stateroom to share them with her, though she knew Renfro would "read the riot act" if he heard of it.

During every performance she watched the animal trainer put his "cats" through their paces and she never failed to compliment him on his daring when he left the arena, his white silk shirt clinging to his body and beads of perspiration about his white lips.

"There isn't an act in the world that can equal it, Con!" she would exclaim ecstatically. "I simply marvel at you! I could watch you all day, every day, my teeth chatter with fright for you."

She hovered over him like a mother, watching for a loose button or a dangling bit of braid on his coat. As though it were her duty to perform such tasks, she demanded that he hand the garments over to her to mend.

When the tiger, a gorgeously beautiful Bengal, gave Con a vicious scratch on the wrist Madeline changed the dressing on the wound daily for a week, although Con insisted the injury was nothing.

He was flattered by these attentions. The sting of Donna's repulsion still rankled, though he loved her with all the fervour of his Latin temperament. Con was perfectly aware of Madeline's love for him, as was every one else in the circus. He accepted it as homage due his position as the star performer of the troupe.

Now and then he invited her to dinner at a hotel or restaurant as a change from the fare in the mess tent. Madeline always made the most of these occasions, combing her hair as Donna had worn hers, dress-

ing as nearly as possible like Donna and aping her mannerisms until the man was a little bewildered. He wondered why, when the two girls were so alike, he should love one and not the other.

A month went by, then six weeks. The heat became intense. Under the tents the air was heavy, almost intolerable. The poor animals, forced to stay in small quarters, suffered and snarled and roared and spit. The staterooms in the Pullman cars were stifling. Electric fans merely stirred the fetid, stifling air.

Under the glare of a thousand blazing lights the performers tried to concentrate on their numbers, to forget their discomfort and put forth their best efforts, but the acts moved slowly and without pep. A grizzly bear sickened and died. Renfro tore his hair and wailed that there was a jinx on the show and they might as well close.

His wife, who had heard the same wail many times, far once listened to him. Then she said, "Well, why don't you stop beefing and get rid of the jinx?"

"I wish to God I could! If you can tell me who it is I'll fire him quick enough."

"It's not a him. It's that Madeline Gabriel."

"Oh, you've got it in for Madeline because she's alone. She's all right."

"Maybe she is, but she's a trouble-maker. Look at the way she's trailing Ned Trafford! Look how she strung along Ned Trafford!"

"What?"

"I'm not a gossip, but I'm not as blind as you are and I'd be glad to see Madeline go. It's not because she's a 'single' but because she's no good."

"I thought that, I'd fire her quick as shooting. She was darned decent about going on with the act alone and—shucks, are you sure she and Trafford—?"

"Why do you suppose he's gone to pieces the way he has? He was crazy about Madeline but he knew enough to keep his distance if she hadn't let him on. If you don't believe me, ask anyone in the show. And watch her with Con!"

"I've seen them together but—I'll look into this!"

Fortunately for Madeline, this conversation took place after an afternoon performance while she and Con were sitting at a table in a Chinese restaurant some distance from the tent. Madeline had received a letter that day written by Donna herself, the first letter she had written since the accident. Madeline produced it proudly and waved it before Con's eyes.

"Why the heck does she address you as Donna?" he demanded. "I never saw her do it. It's always said when the other girl's name was mentioned."

"That's a long story, darling. I'll tell you some day when I feel like confessing. Wouldn't you like to read what she has to say?"

"No. May be she'll write to me now."

Madeline frowned. She studied the ink on the table before her and her quick wit began to dance. "No, Con," she said slowly, "I don't believe she will. I don't think you'll ever see Donna again."

"What makes you say that? She's coming back to the show, isn't she?"

"No, she isn't."

"You mean the injury was worse than we thought?"

"No, Con, darling, I hate to tell you! I know how you love Donna and I know how terribly this will hurt you. But you knew you never had a chance with her, didn't you? You knew that, while she was fond of you and always liked you, she wouldn't ever think of marrying you. You'll just have to square your shoulders and—"

"Cut out the sob stuff!" he broke in harshly. "Spill it!"

"She's going to be married."

"To the cousin?"

"He's my cousin, not hers. Yes, they're going to be married."

Con sat motionless, his face slowly growing whiter and whiter. His hands gripped the arms of his chair and the knuckles stood out in ridges. Then he laughed. "Well, that's that! What do we eat—chow suey or chow mein?"

"You mean you don't care?" Madeline cried hysterically. "You really don't care?"

"No woman is going to ruin my appetite," Con answered.

But Madeline, trembling over the success of her falsehood, noticed that his head left the table untouched. She suggested that they return to the circus lot before it was really necessary to do so. She had scored a triumph, but if Con should write to Donna to confirm her statement, the situation might not be so rosy. A long walk in a shadowy lane was more conducive to sentiment than a warm Chinese restaurant.

Renfro was waiting for them at the dressing tent. "Come over here, Madeline," he said. "I want to talk to you."

The ever-present fear of receiving a two weeks' notice gripped the girl. She looked appealingly toward Con. "What's the matter, Chief?" the animal trainer asked. "You don't object to Madeline stepping out with me once in a while, do you?"

"Not exactly. But she's the only girl alone in this show and she has to watch where she steps. I've been thinking it over. It's a responsibility—they're talking. I think you're a swell kid, Madeline, but hell! I broke the rule never to have single girls in the show when I kept you on. It's too much trouble and I believe—"

"Who's been talking?" Con demanded.

"Er—everyone. You and Madeline are pretty thick, then."

"Why shouldn't we be?"

"I wish you'd be!" Madeline interrupted with a wistful smile. "If I'm not wanted, I'll go. I thought when I did everything I could after poor Donna was hurt it would be appreciated, but I guess I wasn't."

"Sure I appreciate what you've done, Madeline, but—oh, if you were older and maybe a little more straight-laced—"

"Listen here," Con caught the other man's coat sleeve. "You mean they're talking about Madeline and me? Well, go tell the lousy gossips we're going to be married."

"Con!"

"And if that doesn't suit them you can get a new animal act—and pronto!"

"Keep your shirt on, Con," Renfro cautioned. "If you and Madeline are engaged and all this is on the level, we'll be tickled pink. No one thought either of you were serious, that's all. And you know a girl—"

"Yes, I know. It makes me sick the way nosy-bodies meddle with every one else's business. I thought you were more sensible. I've a notion to leave your show anyway and—"

"Now, now, Con!" the manager soothed. "I've got to tell Mom the news. Gosh, she'll be surprised."

As Renfro disappeared into the dressing tent Madeline whirled upon Con.

"Did you mean that? Or did you just say it to save my job?"

"Why shouldn't I mean it? If you'll have me, knowing I don't love you and probably never will, we might make a go of marriage. I swear I'll always be on the level with you."

"Oh, Con," Madeline cried, nestling against the arm that hung limply at her side. "You love me so much I'd marry you even if you wanted to put me right into your cage of cats."

He looked at her, half-startled. "That's an ideal! That is an ideal. I'll make you part of my act!"

(To Be Continued)

## CINEMA NEWS

### NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

A police operative must not only brave the bullets and treachery of a bandit mob ruled by the town sheriff, but he must work unassisted to bring justice and order to Silver City the locale of "The Arizona", a new saga of the West starring Richard Dix, next attraction at the Queen's Theatre. An Clay Talbot, a frontier marshal typifying such historical characters as Bat Masterson and Wyatt Earp, Dix's single-handed feats include thwarting a stage-coach hold-up, routing a desperado from his cavern rendezvous and bringing him to the court alive, and arresting a dangerous murderer without drawing a weapon. When, in the climax of the picture, a showdown between opposing factions means a battle to the death, Dix enlists the aid of his brother and an ex-border bandit. Out-numbered by two to one by the enemy, Dix conducts a valiant and fight for life and love. "The Arizona", produced by RKO Radio which created "Cimarron" features a powerful cast in Dix's support, including Margot Grahame, Preston Foster and Louis Calhern. Charles Vidor directed.

"The Scarlet Pimpernel" Merle Oberon of the strange, haunting beauty and the deep, mysterious eyes, has captured the imagination of the film-going world and in every town and hamlet the old, inevitable questions arise. Who is she really? From where did she come? Blessed with an almost unearthly grace and an inherent glamour that does not depend on bizarrely shaped eyebrows or the ingenuity of makeup artists and caricatures for

its being, Merle has troubled the dreams of astute Hollywood producers ever since she played the tragic Anne Boleyn in London Films' "The Private Life of Henry VIII." Eager fans will see her again when "The Scarlet Pimpernel" produced by London Films, and released through United Artists, begins its run at the King's Theatre on Saturday. An Australian girl, who first saw the light in Tasmania twenty-two years ago, she was born O'Brien-Thompson and christened Estelle Merle. Taken to India as a child of seven, she lived in Calcutta until four or five years ago, when she grew bored and travelled to England. She had given little thought to a professional career until a woman friend pointed out that there was only one right and proper place for a face like Estelle Merle's and that was clearly, the motion picture screen. She got her start in a small part in a film Harry Lauder was producing at Elstree, entitled "Aron's We All?" Lunching in the studio commissary one day, she attracted the attention of Mrs. Alexander Korda, who enthusiastically pointed her out to her distinguished director-husband, Korda immediately gave her a role in a film called "Service For Ladies." Then he signed her to a long-term contract and trimmed and altered her overlong name to its present glamorous proportions. Merle Oberon appeared in two more films, "Wedding Rehearsal" and "Men of Tomorrow," before she attracted general attention by her appearance in "Henry VIII." She has since scored a triumph abroad in the English version of "The Battle," a French film success. The story goes that Merle had four trunks packed, preparatory to embarking for Hollywood to accept a decidedly dazzling offer, but Korda and Doug Fairbanks persuaded her to remain in England and be the latter's leading lady in "The Private Life of Don Juan."

Remain she did and upon completion of this colourful production, she was immediately co-starred with Leslie Howard in Korda's production of "The Scarlet Pimpernel," so Hollywood simply had to reconcile itself to waiting some more. Now she has gone to the United Artists Studios to play opposite Maurice Chevalier in "Polies Bergere de Paris," a 20th Century production. After that Miss Oberon will return to her "fairy godfather," and Alexander Korda will carry still further the grooming of his greatest star discovery.

"Curly Top" There is a song for everybody in Shirley Temple's "Curly Top" the Fox film star's happiest and most tuneful picture which comes to the Alhambra on Saturday. In the hit tune score of five number, all with music by the versatile Ray Henderson and lyrics by Ted Koehler, Edward Hyman and Irving Caesar, there are three tunes for Shirley, topped by "When I Grow Up" and "Animal Crackers in My Soup." John Boles who supports Shirley, sings "It's All So New To Me" and Rochelle Hudson vocalizes "The Simple Things in Life." Shirley's role in "Curly Top" is that of a lovable orphan child who rewards her benefactor by helping him to win the girl he loves. John Boles is the benefactor. Finding Shirley in an orphanage he adopts the child to get the benefit of her charm and happiness. But in getting her, he also has to adopt her pony, and duck, and her lovely grown sister, Rochelle Hudson. The little child, transported to society's haunts at Southampton, breaks through the frosty exterior of blue-bloods with her facile charms. And, when the romance of her sister and John Boles is threatened with disaster, Shirley comes to the rescue and manages to effect a happy climax. Irving Cummings directed the picture, which

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San Francisco, Oct. 24. Longshoremen have refused to load the Italian motorship Cellina on the grounds that her cargo of foodstuffs included copra, which was intended for the Italian army. Ship's officers denied the assertion that the longshoremen then declared that they would not return to work unless the Federal Government assured them that the goods were not contraband cargo.

Local officials contend that the men are violating international treaties by discriminating against a friendly country.—Reuter.

## RUSSIAN LACKS PASSPORT

TO BE SENT TO SHANGHAI

Michael C. Korinevsk, 19, unemployed, was brought before Mr. McFadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, charged with entering the Colony without a valid passport. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 or, in default, fourteen days' hard labour, after which he is to be sent back to Shanghai.

Detective Sergeant F. E. Russell stated that defendant arrived from Canton on the night of October 22 and stayed at the Trocadero Hotel. He had no money and gave himself up at the Water Police Station the next day. He had no passport, only a Shanghai registration certificate which clearly stated that a passport was required when travelling. The defendant was accompanied by a German who also had no money, but his passport was in order. The German Consul had agreed to repatriate him to Germany.

Defendant stated he came here with a friend in order to obtain some money.

## COMPENSATION FOR LOSSES

ANOTHER ANGLE OF SANCTIONS

London, Oct. 24. The Prime Minister, questioned in the Commons regarding compensation for industries affected by the imposition of economic sanctions against Italy, replied that it was impossible to foretell the precise effect that sanctions imposed might have upon particular industries.

The question of mutual aid to counteract any losses which might fall upon countries applying sanctions was to receive further consideration by the League of Nations. The Government would naturally endeavour to secure, in any such consideration, that possible losses to British trade and industries were given their full weight.—British Wireless.

## JAPANESE FILMS FOR JAPAN

MOVE TO PROTECT INDUSTRY

Tokyo, Oct. 25. The Japanese newspaper Nichi Nichi stated this morning that the Police board is drafting an Ordinance intended to compel all cinema theatres in Japan to exhibit a certain proportion of Japanese films.

At present practically the whole of the programmes in Japan are made up of foreign films. The reasons given for the action by the Police Censor Board is that the Japanese cinema industry needs protection. More Japanese films, it is pointed out, are necessary in order to properly educate the people regarding their own country's culture and contemporary events.—United Press.

## OCCASIONAL RAIN

A moderate anticyclone is stationary over Japan. An anticyclone appears to be forming over N. W. China. The depression has deepened and moved N.N.E. It is now situated about 100 miles to the south of Tsingtau.

Local forecast:—S. W. or variable winds, moderate to light; cloudy, occasional rain.

## BRITISH FAR EAST POLICY

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## LEITH-ROSS' MISSION

London, Oct. 24. The question of Sino-Japanese relations, which the British Government desired to be good, had been discussed by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, the British economist at present in the Far East, and the attitude of the Chinese Government towards the Manchurian question naturally had been explored in this connection.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Secretary, answering questions from Mr. V. la Touche McEntee, Labour, in the House of Commons to-day.

However, although Britain desired friendly relations between Nanking and Tokyo, recognition of Manchukuo had not been urged upon China either by the British Government nor by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross.

Replying to another question regarding the arrears of the Tsingtau railway loan, Sir Samuel recalled an arrangement whereby the railway would make payments into a special reserve account in order to liquidate the arrears of interest and amortisation payments.

The Ambassador, Sir Alexander Cadogan, had lost no time in pressing the Chinese Government to act in this connection.

Similar action was recently taken by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross. "I am informed the Chinese Government has the question under serious consideration."—Reuter.

## SHANGHAI PROBLEM

London, Oct. 24. Several reports had been received from Sir Alexander Cadogan, the British Ambassador in China, bearing upon the status of the International Settlement in Shanghai, declared Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Minister, in the course of an address in the House of Commons to-day in which he answered questions from various members. But a request for a special report on this matter would serve no useful purpose at present, he believed.

Sir Samuel emphasised that the Ambassador visited Shanghai and other trade centres whenever he thought that such visit seemed required.

The accommodation at Nanking should soon enable him to spend the largest part of the year there.

## UNUSUAL THEFT CASE

MAN'S OFFENCE KEPT SECRET

Unusual circumstances surrounded a case which came before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistrate's court this morning, in which Yip Tai, unemployed, was charged with the theft of a basket containing 21 pieces of clothing and \$84 in money, the property of a widow, Wong Hing, from the ground floor of No. 54 Russell Street on October 16.

The complainant had not reported the theft to the police when it was discovered, but instead enquiries were made by the principal tenant, and all the neighbours, including the defendant, were asked to swear that they had not stolen the articles. Later it was discovered that the defendant had actually stolen the articles, and he was arrested by a detective, and taken to the Wanchai Police station on Wednesday. He admitted to the police he had stolen the property, and took the police to find another man, who was his accomplice, but that man was not found.

When the defendant was being charged, the complainant came in and addressed him saying, "Serve you right for swearing that you did not steal my property; your little girl died last night." The defendant, on hearing this, collapsed. The man was allowed to go and see his daughter, who had died suddenly. She had not been sick before her death.

Detective Sergeant Fitches, prosecuting, said the defendant had been sufficiently punished already. There was only his own admission to show that he stole the articles. He stated that the other man had actually stolen the property and given it to him, and he was quite prepared to compensate the complainant later when he obtained work.

Mr. Schofield accordingly bound over defendant in a personal bond of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year, remarking he was taking a lenient view owing to the exceptional circumstances of the case.

## LANTAU MURDER TRIAL

ACCUSED MAN'S CONTRADICTIONS

Further evidence was heard, before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, in the trial of four Chinese for the murder of a 61-year-old man at lower Chukowan village, Lantau Island, on September 2 last year.

Mr. W. J. Lockhart-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the accused were represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara and Mr. Harold Lee, on the instructions of Messrs. Denny and Co.

The jury comprised Messrs. F. Goodwin (foreman), W. Robertson, G. Castle, C. A. Coelho, Wong Tse-kwong, Chau Lok-chow and J. O. Sequeira.

Continuing his evidence from the previous hearing, the second accused, Ho Wah, stated that he and three others not in custody, visited the deceased's hut on the day of the murder. The deceased and his family were at home, and after they had taken their evening meal, the deceased went to his hut to sleep, followed by Li Tung-kwai, a member of the party. The deceased's son went to pick guavas with two others, leaving witness and deceased's wife and daughters behind.

## "SAVE LIFE!"

While he was sitting at a table outside the hut with the woman and the girls, the woman suddenly shouted out "Save life!" Witness thought that she had been bitten by a snake and asked her what was the matter. She did not say anything. Li Tung-kwai then came out of deceased's hut and enquired the reason for the shout. The woman again did not say anything, and Li then proceeded to the place where deceased's son and two other men were sitting. On his approach, the son ran away.

Li then returned to the hut, but while on his way, the deceased was seen staggering out of the hut. Li then shouted out "Strike! strike!" and attacked the old man. He was later joined by three others who happened to be on the scene, while the other two who were with the son also took part in the assault. The woman tried to intervene, but witness caught hold of her.

After the assault, the woman and girls were bound to a tree. Witness was forced to take part in this by Li Tung-kwai, under threat of death. Later, the men went inside the hut and remained there for about twenty minutes.

While this was going on, witness remained with the woman and girls, and he told them that after the others had left he would fetch them.

## CONTRADICTIONS

Cross-examined by Mr. Lockhart-Smith, witness said that it was the woman who cried out "Save life!" and not the deceased, as he had stated in the previous hearing. In reply to further questions, witness contradicted himself in several instances and admitted that there had been certain discrepancies in his original statement.

The case is proceeding. When he went into the witness-box at the previous hearing, witness gave an incoherent account of the affair, and evoked the following remarks from His Lordship: "You are here standing your trial on a capital charge and in your own interests you will do well to remember that it will best serve you to answer questions accurately and in every detail. It is no good changing your story. For your sake I am telling you this."

## SKIPPING THEIR JUST DEBTS

FOREIGNERS PROVOKE JAPANESE

Osaka, Oct. 25. Asserting that fifteen out of 182 foreign residents in Osaka have defaulted on income tax payments, the municipal officials voted last night to appeal to the Central Government to insist that foreigners obtain sailing permits before being allowed to leave the country.

Municipal officials have also received reports stating that some foreigners have failed to settle their private debts before departing from Japan, although the great majority honour their obligations punctually.—United Press.

## VISITING HONGKONG

Mr. F.R.M. Wallis, General Manager for China of the Confederation Life Association of Canada, was a passenger on the Empress of Japan arriving this morning and is a guest at the Gloucester Hotel for the next few days.

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